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Bedford, New Hampshire

March, 1956

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of the
SELECTMEN
and other
TOWN OFFICERS



BEDFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Year Ending December 31, 1955



and Vital Statistics for Year 1955

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TOWN OFFICERS

Representative to the General Court

RALPH M. WIGGIN

Moderator

JOHN H. KENNARD, M.D.

Selectmen

JOHN R. BURLEIGH, Term Expires 1956

RAY STARITA, Term Expires 1957

FRANK H. BARNARD, Term Expires 1958

Treasurer

C. FREEMAN SHAW

Town Clerk

MARTHA F. WIGGIN

Tax Collector

IRENE M. PARKHURST

Highway Agent

RICHARD J. RAMIG

Supervisors of Checklists

CHARLES G. HARDY

BLANCHE CLAPP

ORLO RICHARDSON

Trustees of Trust Funds

C. FREEMAN SHAW, Term Expires 1956
RAYMOND D. BRUCE, Term Expires 1957
GEORGE T. WIGGIN, Term Expires 1958

Library Trustees

JOHN JACOBSON, JR., Term Expires 1956
ISABELLE BARNARD, Term Expires 1957
CLIFFORD BLANCHARD, Term Expires 1958

Trustees of Cemeteries

JOHN R. BURLEIGH, Term Expires 1956
RUSSELL FISHER, Term Expires 1957
PAUL JOHONNETT, Term Expires 1958

Police

AUGUSTIN VILLENEUVE, Chief BRUNO VINCENT

Auditors

GILLIS FRENCH AGNES A. SMITH

Budget Committee

RAY STARITA, Selectman
MAX F. GOWEN, School Board

1956

ADRIEN E. NORMANDIN ROBERT RAMIG

1957

ALEXANDER MAJESKI RICHARD RUELKE

1958

LEON EDWARDS MAURICE HAMEL

Health Officer

WILLIAM T. HUNTER

Fire Department

WALTER S. MELENDY, Chief

Forest Fire Warden

ERNEST JENKINS

School Board

MAX F. GOWEN, Term Expires 1956

MALCOLM L. BUNKER, Term Expires 1957

ELIZABETH MULROY, Term Expires 1958

Planning Board

RALPH M. WIGGIN SR. Term Expires 1956

JOHN R. BURLEIGH, Selectman Term Expires 1956

ALEXANDER MAJESKI Term Expires 1957

CHARLES F. COSTANZO Term Expires 1958

JOHN N. McKELVIE Term Expires 1958

JOHN LOXTON Term Expires 1959

ROBERT F. JENKINS Term Expires 1960

Board of Adjustment

JAMES P. MULROY Term Expires 1956

HARRY W. LUND Term Expires 1957

ROY E. JENKINS Term Expires 1958

ORLO RICHARDSON Term Expires 1959

RALPH F. MATTFIELD Term Expires 1960

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford in the County of Hillsborough, in said State of New Hampshire; qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To bring in your votes for the election of Delegates-at-Large, Alternate Delegates-at-Large, Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the National Convention of the various political parties, to be held to nominate party candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States.

Article 2. To bring forward your ballots for the necessary town officers for the ensuing year and the ensuing three years and also to bring forward your ballots for Delegate to the Constitutional Convention. Polls are to open at 10 A.M. and are not to close before 6 P.M. At 8 P.M. action will be taken on the following Articles in the Warrant:

Article 3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriation for same:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$5,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	2,000.00

Election and registration	600.00
Municipal Court	350.00
Town Hall and other Town Buildings	2,500.00
Police Department	1,000.00
Fire Department	5,500.00
Health Department	50.00
Vital Statistics	75.00
Street Lights	1,615.68
General Highway	11,000.00

Total Town Charges \$29,690.68

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the support of the poor; \$3,000.00 for the assistance of the aged; and \$1,000.00 for aid to soldiers and their families.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,700.00 to paint the outside of the Town Hall and the Fire Station.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes up to the sum of \$25,000.00 if needed and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for interest thereon.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,500.00 for summer maintenance of highways and bridges.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 for the library.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for care of the Town Dump.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to gravel Class V highways.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Civil Defense.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,001.74 for construction of Class V highways, the State to contribute \$6,678.27.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for the tarring of Class V highways, under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Memorial Day and patriotic purposes.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for spraying elm trees.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for care of the clock on the Church.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for damages and legal expense, including dog damage.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 as a contribution to the Merrimack Valley Region Association.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the care of the New Cemetery; \$25.00 for pumping water for same; \$100.00 for care of the Joppa Cemetery; \$50.00 for the care of the Old Cemetery on the Back River Road; and \$25.00 for the care of the Beals Cemetery.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the maintenance and replacement of power equipment used in the Town Cemeteries.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to reroof and paint the Hearse House in the New Cemetery

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to apply to the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of a Grader.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for the purpose of constructing a shed for the storage of highway salt.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the Planning Board.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for street signs to be installed in those parts of the Town where the roads are not now marked.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$74.88 for the installation of two new Street Lights; one at the corner of Savoie and Donald Street; and the other at the corner of Worthley Road and Second Street.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept \$300.00 in Trust from the Estate of Abbie C. Gault, the interest to be expended for the care of the Gault lot in the New Cemetery.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IV Section 8 of the Zoning Ordinance adopted at a Special Town Meeting, December 8, 1953, and amended at the Annual Town Meeting, March 8, 1955, as follows: Strike out Section 8 in its entirety and substituting therefor—"Where a source of municipal water supply is available, every building lot shall have a minimum lot frontage of 100 feet. Where no such municipal water supply is available, every building lot shall have a minimum lot frontage of 150 feet; or any amendment which may be properly offered to the above.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance adopted at a special Town Meeting, December 8, 1953, and amended at the Annual Town Meeting March 8, 1955 by adding to the District Map of said Ordinance the following:

Commercial District, beginning at a point in the Boundary Line between the City of Manchester and the Town of Bedford, which said point is 1485 feet westerly from the westerly line of the Daniel Webster Highway; thence running in a southerly direction to the southern boundary line of the Bellemore property; thence, turning and running in an easterly direction to the Merrimack River; thence, turning and running in a northerly direction along the Merrimack River to the Bedford Town line; thence, turning and running along said line to the point of beginning; or any amendment which may be properly offered to the above.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance adopted at a Special Town Meeting, December 8, 1953, and amended at the Annual Town Meeting, March 8, 1955 by adding to the District Map of said Ordinance the following:

Commercial District—beginning at the north east corner of the Frederick Everett Highway Overpass; thence running easterly to the Merrimack River; thence, turning and running in a southerly direction along said river to a point on the north side of the Moore's Crossing Road; thence, turning and running westerly by a line parallel to said road to a point on the easterly line of the Frederick Everett Highway; thence, turning and running along the easterly line of said highway to the point of beginning; or any amendment which may be properly offered to the above.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance adopted at a Special Town Meeting, December 8, 1953 and amended at the Annual Meeting, March 8, 1955 by adding to the District map of said Ordinance the following:

Commercial District—To classify the properties of the Riddle Spring Poultry Farm and the Fisher Brothers. Oil Co. bordering on Route 101 as Commercial Districts; or any amendment which may be properly offered to the above.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance adopted at a Special Town Meeting December 8, 1953 and amended at the Annual Town Meeting March 8, 1955 by adding to the District Map of said Ordinance the following:

The Commercial District along both sides of Route 101 to be increased in depth from 200 feet to 400 feet; or

any amendment which may be properly offered to the above.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance adopted at a Special Town Meeting December 8, 1953 and amended at the Annual Town Meeting March 8, 1955 by reclassifying the District Map as follows:

All existing spot commercial designations which are not a part of a Commercial district be reclassified to locations of non-conforming use; or any amendment which may be properly offered to the above.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Ordinance adopted at a Special Town Meeting December 8, 1953 and amended at the Annual Town Meeting March 8, 1955 by adding the following to Article XI of said Ordinance:

After due and proper hearing as prescribed in Chapter 31, Revised Laws of the State of New Hampshire, 1955, permit a change from one non-conforming use to another non-conforming use; or permit an additional non-conforming use to an existing non-conforming use.

After due and proper hearing as prescribed in said Chapter 31, permit additions to a building now housing a non-conforming use; and/or the erection of a new building or buildings on the same premises for the purpose of housing a non-conforming use; or any amendment which may be properly offered to the above.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to accept Savoie Street an additional 450 feet by 50 feet wide from that part of said street previously accepted.

Article 36. To see if the Town will accept Darling Street an additional 165 feet by 30 feet in an easterly di-

rection and also that part of Darling Street lying between Swan Avenue and Savoie Street.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to accept Meetinghouse Terrace southerly from Meetinghouse Road a distance of 180 feet by 40 feet; thence running parallel to Meetinghouse Road westerly 110 feet from the center line of the first described course, and Easterly from the center line of said course 170 feet, both branches being 40 feet wide.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to accept Eastman Avenue easterly from that part previously accepted to the right of way of the Frederick Everett Highway.

Article 39. To see what action the Town will take regarding the playing of Beano under the provisions of Chapter 287 of the revised laws of the State of New Hampshire, 1955.

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees and other officers heretofore chosen, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 23rd day of February in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

JOHN R. BURLEIGH
RAY STARITA
FRANK H. BARNARD

Selectmen of Bedford.

A true copy of Warrant. Attest:

JOHN R. BURLEIGH
RAY STARITA
FRANK H. BARNARD

Selectmen of Bedford.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expendit

<i>SOURCES OF REVENUE</i>	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1955	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1955	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1956
FROM STATE:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$12,000.00	\$14,049.61	\$14,000.00
Railroad Tax	70.00	75.21	70.00
Savings Bank Tax	100.00	120.78	100.00
Head Tax Expense		59.35	
Care of Child		13.54	
For Fighting Forest Fires		60.45	
Bounties	11.00	20.00	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance		205.46	
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:			
Dog Licenses	700.00	782.17	700.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	40.00	45.00	40.00
Fines and Forfeits, Municipal Court ..		267.40	
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	300.00	315.00	300.00
Interest Received on Taxes		413.69	
Rental of Grader		583.50	
Phone Booth Commission .....		.45	
Share in cost of road—S. Carlisle		327.68	
Sale of Tar—Richard Ramig		67.50	
Check Lost		22.45	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees 1954		315.70	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees 1955	12,000.00	16,106.58	15,000.00
Sale of Town Property		360.00	
Sale of Histories & Diaries		42.00	
Reimbursement-Grass Fire-A. Arthur .		6.00	
CEMETERIES:			
Lots Sold		65.00	
Lawn Mower Sold		10.00	
Cash Surplus	2,000.00	4,920.78	2,000.00
FROM LOCAL SOURCES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES:			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	2,000.00	2,068.00	2,000.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00	20.00	20.00
Yield Taxes on Timber	1,000.00	1,573.92	500.00
Tax Sales Redeemed		1,212.07	
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	\$30,241.00	\$44,129.29	\$34,730.00
AMT. TO BE RAISED BY PROP. TAXES			\$34,712.42
TOTAL REVENUES			\$69,442.42

BEDFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Year January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956. Compared with
ures of the Previous Year January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955.

<i>PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES</i> CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:	Appro- priations Previous Year 1955	Actual Expendi- tures Previous Year 1955	Appro- priations Recom- mended By Budget Committee 1956	Appro- priations Submitted Without Recom- mendation Of Budget Committee 1956
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,523.51	\$ 5,000.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	2,000.00	1,718.49	2,000.00	
Election and Registration Expenses	200.00	193.50	600.00	
Municipal Court Expenses	250.00	200.00	350.00	
Expenses Town Hall and Other				
Town Bldgs.	2,500.00	2,515.09	2,500.00	
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department	700.00	591.54	1,000.00	
Fire Department	4,500.00	4,705.37	5,500.00	
Care of Trees	300.00	150.00		600.00
Painting Town Hall				1,700.00
Civil Defense	150.00		100.00	
Health:				
Health Department	50.00	25.00	50.00	
Vital Statistics	60.00	56.00	75.00	
2 New Street Lights at \$37.44 ..				74.88
Town Dump	500.00	335.75	500.00	
Highways and Bridges:				
Town Maintenance—Summer	8,500.00	9,395.95	9,500.00	
Town Maintenance—Tar	12,000.00	10,114.61	12,000.00	
Street Lighting incl. 6 new lights at \$37.44	1,615.68	1,510.32	1,615.68	
General Exp's of Highway Dept.	10,000.00	11,360.11	11,000.00	
Town Road Aid (\$6,678.27 from State)	994.04	994.04	1,001.74	
Gravel—Class V Highways	4,000.00	2,999.44	4,000.00	
Libraries	800.00	800.00	800.00	
Public Welfare:				
Town Poor	1,000.00	400.92	1,000.00	
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00	2,181.79	3,000.00	
Patriotic Purposes:				
Memorial Plot	25.00	11.25		
Memorial Day and Veterans' As- sociations	50.00	48.00	50.00	
Recreation:				
Street Signs				500.00
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemetery Equipment	200.00	240.10	200.00	
Cemeteries	700.00	672.30	700.00	
Town Clock	50.00	45.83	50.00	
Cemetery Driveway	1,000.00	1,136.48		
Damages and Legal Expenses, Incl. Dog Damage	150.00	202.50	200.00	
Advertising and Regional Associa- tions	50.00	50.00		50.00
Reroof & Paint Hears House ...			200.00	
Interest:				
On Temporary Loans	150.00	65.00	150.00	
Planning Board	300.00		300.00	
Highways and Bridges:				
Town Construction—Hazen Road .	8,500.00	8,750.44		
Police Radios	550.00	551.16		
New Salt Storage Shed			2,500.00	
Heavy Duty Tractor & Loader ..	7,500.00	7,530.00		
Payment on Principal of Debt:				
Grader	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$80,044.72	\$76,934.49	\$69,442.42	

MAURICE J. HAMEL
RICHARD RUELKE
ROBERT M. RAMIG
ADRIEN E. NORMANDIN
ALEXANDER MAJESKI
MAX F. GOWEN
RAY STARITA

Budget Committee

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATIONS

Lands and Buildings		\$3,154,145.00
Electric Plants		376,725.00
Horses	90	10,200.00
Cows	577	54,725.00
Other Neat Stock	4	100.00
Sheep and Goats	32	700.00
Hogs	139	4,170.00
Fowls	36,525	34,425.00
Vehicles	3	1,300.00
Portable Mills		14,800.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.		8,300.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	26	3,500.00
Stock in Trade		47,300.00
Mills and Machinery		7,300.00
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Total Gross Valuation before exemptions allowed		\$3,717,690.00
Less: Soldiers' Exemptions		251,950.00
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Net Valuation on which tax rate is computed		\$3,465,740.00
Amount of property valuation exempted to veterans		\$251,950.00
Number of inventories distributed	1,056	
Number of Inventories returned	600	
Number of veterans who received property exemptions	255	
Number of veterans exempted from poll tax	368	

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Appropriations:

Town Officers Salaries	\$ 4,200.00
Town Officers Expenses	2,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	200.00
Municipal Court Expenses	250.00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	2,500.00
Police Department	700.00
Fire Department	4,500.00
Civilian Defense	150.00
Moth Extermination and Care of Trees	300.00
Health Department	50.00
Town Dump	500.00
Vital Statistics	60.00
Construction—Gravel	4,000.00
Town Road Aid	994.04
Town Maintenance—Summer	8,500.00
New Construction—Hazen Road	8,500.00
General Expenses of Highway Department and Winter Maintenance	10,000.00
Road Tar	12,000.00
Police Radios	550.00
Construction of Cemetery Road	1,000.00
Street Lighting and New Lights	1,615.68
Care of Town Clock	50.00
New Equipment—Heavy Duty Tractor and Loader	7,500.00
Libraries	800.00
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00
Public Relief—Town Poor	1,000.00
Soldiers' Aid	1,000.00
Memorial Day	50.00

Planning Board	300.00
New Fire Hydrant—Wayside Drive	50.00
Cemeteries and Equipment	900.00
Memorial Plot	25.00
Dog Damages and Legal Expenses	150.00
Advertising and Regional Ass'n	50.00
Interest	150.00
County Tax	20,103.05
School Tax	125,695.86
Capital Reserve Fund for Grader	2,500.00
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Total Town and School Appropriations	\$225,893.66

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$14,049.61	
Railroad Tax	73.15	
Savings Bank Tax	129.93	
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	568.68	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	12,000.00	
Dog Licenses	700.00	
Business Licenses and Permits	40.00	
Rent of Town Property and Equip't	300.00	
Cash Surplus	2,812.84	
Bounties	11.00	
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Total Revenues and Credits	30,685.21	
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	195,208.45	
Plus Overlay	1,352.99	
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Net Amount to be raised by Taxation	\$196,561.44	

Less: Poll Taxes, 1230 at \$2.00	\$2,460.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00	
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Amount to be raised by Property Taxes, on which the tax rate is figured	\$194,081.44
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Taxes Committed To Collector:	
Property Tax	\$194,081.44
Poll Taxes at \$2.00	2,460.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00
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Total Taxes Committed	\$196,561.44

Tax Rates:

Town	\$1.97
School	3.63
Average	5.60

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENSES

Fiscal Year ending December 31, 1955

	Appropriations	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Am't Available	Expended	Balance	Overdraft
Town Officers Salaries	\$ 4,200.00		\$4,200.00	\$ 4,523.51	\$ 281.51	\$ 323.51
Town Officers Expenses	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,718.49		
Election and Registration Expenses	200.00		200.00	193.50	6.50	
Municipal Court	250.00	267.40	517.40	200.00	317.40	
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	2,500.00	\$ 315.00	2,815.00	2,515.09	299.91	
Police Department	700.00		700.00	591.54	108.46	
Fire Department	4,550.00	166.45	4,716.45	4,705.37	11.08	
Fire Alarm (*)	1,567.62	1,327.69	2,895.31	2,576.26	319.05	
Care of Trees	300.00		300.00	150.00	150.00	
Civil Defense	150.00		150.00		150.00	
Bounties				9.00		9.00
Health Department	50.00		50.00	25.00	25.00	
Vital Statistics	60.00		60.00	56.00	4.00	
Town Dump	500.00		500.00	335.75	164.25	
Town Road Aid	994.04		994.04	994.04		
Highway Department—Summer						
Maintenance	8,500.00		8,500.00	9,395.95		895.95
Street Lighting	1,615.68		1,615.68	1,510.20	105.48	

Highway Department—General					
& Winter	10,000.00	583.50	10,583.50	11,360.11	776.61
Tar—Class V Highways	12,000.00	395.18	12,395.18	10,114.61	2,280.57
Gravel—Class V Highways	4,000.00		4,000.00	2,999.44	1,000.56
Libraries	800.00		800.00	800.00	
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00		3,000.00	2,181.79	818.21
Town Poor	1,000.00		1,000.00	400.92	599.08
Memorial Day	50.00		50.00	48.00	2.00
Memorial Plot	25.00		25.00	11.25	13.75
Soldier's Aid	1,000.00		1,000.00	360.00	640.00
Cemetery—Hill Road	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,136.48	136.48
Cemeteries and Equipment	900.00	10.00	910.00	912.40	2.40
Town Clock	50.00		50.00	45.83	4.17
Planning Board	300.00		300.00	300.00	
Damage and Legal Expense	150.00		150.00	202.50	52.50
Interest on Temporary Loan	150.00		150.00	65.00	85.00
Regional Association	50.00		50.00	50.00	
Construction of Hazen Road	8,500.00		8,500.00	8,750.44	250.44
Heavy Duty Tractor and Loader	7,500.00		7,500.00	7,530.00	30.00
Police Radios	550.00		550.00	551.16	1.16
Capital Reserve Fund for Grader	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00	
	<hr/> \$81,662.34	<hr/> \$3,065.22	<hr/> \$84,727.56	<hr/> \$79,519.63	<hr/> \$2,478.05
Unexpended Balance					
*Includes unexpended balance of 1954 appropriation—\$1,567.62					
				<hr/> \$7,685.98	<hr/> \$5,207.93

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash:

In hands of Treasurer	\$31,889.67
In hands of Tax Collector	.20

\$31,889.87

Capital Reserve Fund for Grader 2,500.00

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1954 284.22

Levy of 1953 217.59

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1955 18,845.04

State Head Taxes—Levy of 1955 1,345.00

Total Assets

\$55,081.72

Surplus—December 31, 1954

\$17,228.02

Surplus—December 31, 1955

25,612.67

Increase in Surplus

\$8,384.61

Liabilities

Accounts owed by the Town:

Balance of 1954 Fire Alarm	
Appropriation	\$ 319.05
Due Town Clerk a/c Overpayment	
1955 Permits	90.04
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	\$ 409.09

Due to State:

State Head Taxes—1955

Uncollected	1,345.00	
Collected but unremitted	215.00	
	<hr/>	1,560.00
Due to School Districts		25,000.00
Capital Reserve Fund for Grader		2,500.00
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Total Liabilities		\$29,469.09
Surplus		25,612.63
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Grand Total		\$55,081.72

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description:	Value
Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$50,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
Libraries, Land and Buildings	5,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	100.00
Fire Department, Land and Buildings	4,500.00
Equipment	12,000.00
Highway Department, Land and Buildings	5,000.00
Equipment	15,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	200,000.00
All lands and buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
Gustave E. Richard lots, 174-183 Worthly Rd.	300.00
Mederic Binette lots, 116-118 Worthly Rd.	100.00
Frances West Heirs, 3 acres	30.00
Sheehan and Sullivan, 2 acres	500.00
Roger Chagnon, 31 acres	300.00
Total	<hr/> \$297,830.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Automobile Account

Received :

1954 Permits	\$315.70	
1955 Permits	16,046.35	
Overpayment to Treasurer, 1955	90.04	
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		\$16,452.09

Paid :

U. S. Guide	\$ 7.50	
Rebates	22.31	
Treasurer 1954 Permits	315.70	
Treasurer 1955 Permits	16,016.54	
Overpayment to Treasurer, 1955	90.04	
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		\$16,452.09

Dog Licenses

Received :

Kennel Licenses	\$ 86.00	
From Isreal Latulippe		
201 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	402.00	
20 Females @ \$5.00	100.00	
Fines	1.00	
At Town Clerk's Office :		
142 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	284.00	
11 Females @ \$5.00	55.00	
Fines	5.00	
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		\$933.00

Paid:

Isreal LaTulippe, collecting	\$ 85.40	
License Books	6.85	
Town Clerk Fees	31.60	
Treasurer	782.17	
	<hr/>	\$933.00

Histories and Diaries

Received for Histories and Diaries	\$ 42.00
Paid to Treasurer	42.00

Bedford Municipal Court

Received: Fines	\$582.40
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Paid:

Motor Vehicle Department	\$310.50	
Fish and Game Department	4.50	
Treasurer	267.40	
	<hr/>	\$582.40

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Levy of 1955

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$194,081.44
Poll Taxes	2,460.00
National Bank Stock Tax	20.00
Timber Yield Tax	1,610.42
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	\$198,171.86

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	536.76
Poll Taxes	28.00
Interest Collected	15.05
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Total Debits	\$198,751.67

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$174,015.74
Poll Taxes	2,042.00
National Bank Stock Tax	20.00
Timber Yield Tax	1,573.92
Interest Collected during year	15.05
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	\$177,666.71
Discount Allowed	2,171.72

Abatements:

Property Taxes	42.00
Poll Taxes	26.00

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	18,388.54
Poll Taxes	420.00
Timber Yield Tax	36.50
Cash on Hand	.20

Total Credits	\$198,751.67
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Levy of 1954

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes on Jan. 1, 1955:

Property Taxes	\$13,381.90
Poll Taxes	344.00
Timber Yield Tax	90.98
Added Poll Taxes	8.00

	\$13,824.88
Interest Collected during year	397.05

Total Debits	\$14,221.93
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Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$13,140.03
Poll Taxes	320.00
Timber Yield Tax	90.98

Abatements:

Property Tax	241.87
Poll Tax	32.00

	\$13,824.88
Interest Collected during year	397.05

Total Credits	\$14,221.93
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Levy of 1953

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes on Jan. 1, 1955:

Property Taxes	\$22.00
Poll Taxes	6.00

	\$28.00
Interest Collected during year	1.57

Total Debits	\$29.57
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Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$14.00
Poll Taxes	2.00

Abatements:

Property Tax	8.00
Poll Tax	4.00

	\$28.00
Interest Collected during year	1.57

Total Credits	\$29.57
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STATE HEAD TAX REPORT

Levy of 1955

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Head Taxes	\$7,990.00	
Added Taxes	60.00	
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		\$8,050.00
Penalties Collected		20.50
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Total Debits		\$8,070.50

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$6,645.00	
Abatements	60.00	
Penalties Collected	20.50	
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		\$6,725.50
Uncollected Taxes on Jan. 1, 1956		1,345.00
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Total Credits		\$8,070.50

Levy of 1954

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes on Jan. 1, 1955:

Head Taxes	\$1,095.00	
Added Taxes	40.00	
Penalties Collected	104.00	
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Total Debits		\$1,239.00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$1,040.00	
Abatements	95.00	
Penalties Collected	104.00	
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Total Credits		\$1,239.00

Levy of 1953

Dr.

Uncollected Head Taxes on

Jan. 1, 1955	\$10.00	
Penalties Collected	.50	
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Total Debits		\$ 10.50

Cr.

Head Tax remitted to Treasurer	\$ 5.00	
Abatement	5.00	
Penalties Collected	.50	
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Total Credits		\$ 10.50

REPORT OF TAX SALES ACCOUNT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1955

Dr.

Taxes Sold to Town During Year
Bal. Unredeemed Taxes on Jan. 1, 1955
Interest Collected During Year

	Levy of		
	1954	1953	1952
			1951
	\$1,135.81		
	4.06	227.68	275.07
			43.76
			46.55
			35.45
	\$1,139.87	\$227.68	\$318.83
			\$82.00

Total Debits

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Remittances to Treasurer:
Interest Collected During Year
Deeded to Town
Abated by Selectmen
Unredeemed Taxes on Jan. 1, 1956

	817.21	265.04	46.55
	4.06	43.76	35.45
	10.48	10.09	10.03
	23.90		
	284.22	217.59	
	\$1,139.87	\$227.68	\$318.83
			\$82.00

Total Credits

Unredeemed Taxes:
Bourque, Roland & Germaine
McDonough, Mary
Piper, Ben

	\$209.58	\$217.59
	26.35	
	48.29	

Respectfully Submitted,

IRENE M. PARKHURST,
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

December 31, 1955

Received of:

Balance on hand—January 1, 1955	\$20,106.32
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Irene M. Parkhurst, Tax Collector:

Poll Taxes 1953	2.00	
Property Taxes 1953	14.00	
Interest 1953	1.57	
Head Taxes 1953	5.00	
Head Tax Penalties 1953	.50	
Abatements 1953	17.00	
Poll Taxes 1954	320.00	
Property Taxes 1954	13,140.03	
Interest 1954	397.05	
Yield Taxes 1954	90.98	
Head Taxes 1954	1,040.00	
Head Tax Penalties 1954	104.00	
Abatements 1954	368.87	
Poll Taxes 1955	2,042.00	
Property Taxes 1955	174,015.74	
Yield Taxes 1955	1,573.92	
Head Taxes 1955	6,645.00	
Head Tax Penalties 1955	20.50	
Interest 1955	15.05	
National Bank Stock Tax 1955	20.00	
Discounts and Abatements 1955	2,299.72	
Taxes Redeemed	1,212.07	
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		\$203,345.00

Martha F. Wiggin, Clerk:

Auto Permits 1954	315.70	
Auto Permits 1955	16,106.58	
Dog Licenses 1955	782.17	
Histories and Diaries	42.00	
Court Fees	267.40	
	<hr/>	17,513.85

State Treasurer:

Interest and Dividends Tax	14,049.61	
Railroad Tax	75.21	
Savings Bank Tax	120.78	
Recovery on Old Age Assistance	205.46	
Head Tax Expense—Postage and Printing	59.35	
Reimbursement for Child Care	13.54	
For fighting Forest Fires	60.45	
Rent of Grader	552.00	
Reimbursement for Grader Operator	31.50	
Bounties on Hedgehogs	20.00	
	<hr/>	15,187.90

Selectmen:

Rent of Town Hall	300.00
Rent of Land—R. M. Wiggin	10.00
Rent of Green House	5.00
Sunday Permits	35.00
Beano Permit	10.00
Sale of Wood	10.00
Commission on calls from Telephone Booth	.45

Summer Carlisle—Share in		
Highway Expense	327.68	
Sale of Fire Whistle	100.00	
Refund from Insurance—		
Kent-Covill Policy	31.10	
Alexander Arthur—Cost of		
grass fire	6.00	
Sale of Town Property,		
Chapman Land to		
George Levasseur	105.00	
Chapman Land to		
Wilfred Simard	95.00	
Tulford Lot to Emile Theim	50.00	
Richard J. Ramig for road tar	67.50	
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		1,152.73

Cemetery Trustees:

Paul W. Johonnett—		
Sale of Lawn Mower	10.00	
Paul W. Johonnett—		
Cemetery Lots Sold	65.00	
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		75.00

Other Sources:

Note—Amoskeag		
National Bank	15,000.00	
Government's Share in		
Air Whistle Alarm	1,327.69	

Stop-Payment on Check reported Lost #1913	22.45	
	<hr/>	16,350.14
Total Receipts		\$273,730.94
Total Checks Issued		241,841.27
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Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1955		\$31,889.67

Respectfully submitted,

C. FREEMAN SHAW,

Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECURITY FOR YIELD TAX

Received in Trust:

July 14, 1955 Security Deposit	\$28.42
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	\$28.42

Paid:

November 10, 1955 Irene M. Parkhurst, Col.	\$28.42
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	\$28.42

Respectfully submitted,

C. FREEMAN SHAW,

Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

For the year ended December 31, 1955

From Local Taxes:

Property Tax—Current year	\$176,229.66
Poll Taxes—Current year at \$2.00	2,068.00
National Bank Stock Tax	20.00
Yield Taxes	1,573.92
State Head Taxes at \$5.00	6,705.00
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Total Current Year's Taxes collected	186,596.58
In hands of Tax Collector	.20
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Total Current Year's Taxes remitted	\$186,596.38
Property and Yield Taxes—	
Previous years	13,494.88
Poll Taxes—Previous years at \$2.00	358.00
State Head Taxes—Previous years at \$5.00	1,145.00
Interest received on Taxes	413.67
Penalties on State Head Taxes	125.00
Tax Sales Redeemed	1,212.07
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Total Receipts from Taxes	\$203,345.00

From State:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 14,049.61
Railroad Tax	75.21
Savings Bank Tax	120.78
Recovery on Old Age Assistance	205.46

Reimbursement—Head Tax Expense	59.35
Reimbursement for Care of Child	13.54
Fighting Forest Fires	60.45
Rent of Grader	552.00
Subsistence—Grader Operator	31.50
Bounties on Hedgehogs	20.00
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Total Receipts from State	\$ 15,187.90

From local sources other than taxes:

Rent of Town Property	\$ 315.00
Sunday Permits	35.00
Beano Permit	10.00
Registration of Motor Vehicles—	
1954 Permits	315.70
Registration of Motor Vehicles—	
1955 Permits	16,106.58
Dog Licenses	782.17
Fines and Forfeits—Municipal Court	267.40
Sale of Wood	10.00
N.E.T. & T. Co.—Commission on	
Phone Booth	.45
Sumner Carlisle—Share in cost	
of road	327.68
Sale of Fire siren to Londonderry	100.00
Insurance Refund—Kent-Covill	
Agency	31.10
Alexander Arthur—Cost of Grass Fire	6.00
Sale of Town Property:	
Chapman Land to George Levasseur	105.00
Chapman Land to Wilfred Simard	95.00
Tulford Land to Emil Theim	50.00
Richard J. Ramig for Road Tar	67.50
Sale of Histories and Diaries	42.00
Cemetery Lots sold	65.00
Sale of lawn mower	10.00

Amoskeag National Bank—Note	15,000.00
Civil Defense share in cost of	
Air Whistle	1,327.69
Stop Payment on Check #1913—	
reported lost	22.45
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Total from sources other than Taxes	\$ 35,091.72
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Total Receipts from all sources	\$253,624.62
Cash on Hand—January 1st, 1955	20,106.32
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Grand Total	\$273,730.94

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

For the year ended December 31, 1955

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 4,523.51
Town Officers' Expenses	1,718.49
Election and Registration expense	193.50
Municipal Court expense	200.00
Town Hall and other town buildings	2,515.09

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	591.54
Fire Department, including	
Forest Fires	4,705.37
Fire Alarm	2,576.26
Moth Extermination—Care of Trees	150.00
Bounties	9.00

Health:

Health Department	25.00
Vital Statistics	56.00
Maintenance of Town Dump	335.75

Highways and Bridges:

Tar	10,114.61
Town Road Aid	994.04
Town Maintenance—Summer	9,395.95
Street Lighting	1,510.22
General Expenses of Highway Department Including Winter care	11,360.11
Gravel	2,999.44

Libraries :

Libraries	800.00
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Public Welfare :

Old Age Assistance	2,181.79
Town Poor	400.92

Patriotic Purposes :

Memorial Plot	11.25
Memorial Day	48.00
Aid to Soldiers and their families	360.00

Public Service Enterprises :

Cemetery—Driveways completed	1,136.48
Cemeteries and Equipment	912.40
Town Clock	45.83

Unclassified :

Damage and Legal Expense	202.50
Tax Sales Cost	86.48
Regional Association	50.00
Taxes Bought by the Town	1,135.81
Discounts and Abatements	2,550.79
Head Tax Abatements	160.00
Head Tax Commission and expense	586.60

Total current maintenance expenses	\$ 64,642.73
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Indebtedness :

Temporary loan repaid	\$ 15,000.00
Interest	65.00

Total	\$ 15,065.00
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**Outlay for new Construction, Equipment and
Permanent Improvements:**

Construction of Hazen Road	8,750.44
Heavy Duty Tractor and Loader	7,530.00
Police Radios	551.16
Capital Reserve a/c for Grader	2,500.00
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Total	\$ 19,331.60

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

State Head Taxes paid State Treasurer	
(1954—\$1,210.00) (1955—\$5,793.00)	\$7,003.00
County Tax	20,103.08
School District	115,695.86
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	\$142,801.94

Total payments for all purposes	\$241,841.27
Cash on Hand, December 31st, 1955	31,889.67
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Grand Total	\$273,730.94

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Appropriation: \$4,200.00

John R. Burleigh, Selectman	\$ 650.00
Ray Starita, Selectman	550.00
Frank H. Barnard, Selectman	450.00
C. Freeman Shaw, Treasurer	200.00
C. Freeman Shaw, Clerk of Trust Funds	50.00
Martha F. Wiggin, Clerk	50.00
Irene M. Parkhurst, Tax Collector	1,440.01
Frank H. Barnard, Overseer of Poor	100.00
Martha F. Wiggin, Issuing Auto Permits	953.50
Estate of Frank P. French, Auditor	40.00
Arthur N. Hodgman, Auditor	40.00
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	\$4,523.51

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

Appropriation: \$2,000.00

State of New Hampshire, Advance Laws	\$ 4.00
New Hampshire Assessors Association, Dues	3.00
Amoskeag National Bank, Night Deposit Bag	
Rental	5.00
Edson C. Eastman Company, Supplies	21.92
George C. Benjamin, Blue Prints	1.70
Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	12.00
Eric M. Sandford, Photograph	5.00

John Loxton, Postage Stamps	20.00
Clarke Press, Printing Town Reports	505.78
Potvin's Rubber Stamp Shop, Stamp	3.65
Irene M. Parkhurst, Assessors Meeting, Typing and Expenses	27.09
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co.	13.78
R. H. Llewellyn Co., Supplies	4.30
Donat Corriveau, Registrar, Furnishing names	72.34
C. Edward Bourassa, Registrar, Furnishing names	.60
William Melendy, Town Officers Bonds	157.50
N. H. Tax Collectors Assn., Dues	3.00
Ruemeley Press, Printing	91.70
Wheeler & Clark, Invoice Book	16.42
Thos. P. Fulham, G. Allen Putnam Agency, Insurance	100.50
Boston & Maine Railroad, Freight on safe	14.58
R. J. Paradise, Tax Collectors Safe	206.00
N. H. City and Town Clerks Assn., Dues	2.00
Amoskeag Savings Bank, Safe Deposit Box Rental	8.00
Martha F. Wiggin, Town Clerk's Supplies	10.88
Frank H. Barnard, Use of Car	100.00
Frank H. Barnard, Perambulation of New Boston & Amherst Lines	10.00
Frank H. Barnard, Timber Tax Expense and Assessors Meeting	18.00
Ray Starita, Use of Car	100.00
Ray Starita, Perambulation of New Boston and Amherst Lines	10.00
Ray Starita, Assessors Meeting	3.00
John R. Burleigh, Use of Car	100.00
John R. Burleigh, Perambulation of New Boston and Amherst Lines	10.00
John R. Burleigh, Copy of Inventory to Permanent Record	25.00
John R. Burleigh, Postage and Supplies	25.00
John R. Burleigh, Assessors Meeting	3.00
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	\$1,718.49

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Appropriation: \$200.00

Eleanor Jenkins, supper for Election Officers	\$ 25.00
Artcraft Press, Printing Ballots	72.50
Blanche W. Clapp, Supervisor of Checklist	12.00
Charles G. Hardy, Supervisor of Checklist	12.00
Orlo Richardson, Supervisor of Checklist	12.00
C. Harry Gage, Police Duty at Polls	10.00
Isreal Latulippe, Police Duty at Polls	10.00
Byron Peck, Ballot Clerk	10.00
John McKelvie, Ballot Clerk	10.00
Earl Isham, Jr., Ballot Clerk	10.00
Antonio Jolicoeur, Ballot Clerk	10.00
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	\$193.50

MUNICIPAL COURT

Appropriation:	\$250.00	
Revenue	267.40	
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Total	\$517.40	
Martha F. Wiggin, Clerk		\$ 50.00
Robert P. Booth, Justice		150.00
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		\$200.00

Town Hall and Other Buildings

Appropriation :	\$2,500.00	
Revenue	315.00	
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	\$2,815.00	
Edgerly Insurance Agency		\$ 297.00
Reynolds W. Smith, Electrical work		28.85
Montrose Blood, Plumbing		11.75
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.		67.10
Public Service of New Hampshire		646.60
Paul's Oil Service, Fuel Oil		402.81
Charles H. Fulton, Janitor Service		154.50
H. J. Campbell, Stove wood		22.00
Clarke's Hardware, Supplies		7.47
Fred W. French, Supplies		41.48
Robert Lang, Loam and Trucking		25.00
Eugene Trembley, Repairing wall		140.00
Paul W. Johonnet, Mowing lawn		8.25
Star Equipment Company, Kitchen Supplies		13.50
Merrimac Farmers Exchange, Pump repairs		7.30
Minnie F. King, Janitor service		67.50
Robert Hannemann, Rotoplowing		20.25
Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company		128.63
Jenkins and Armstrong, Insurance		120.50
Berry Insurance Agency		204.85
W. A. Paul Heating Service, Burner repairs		11.25
Ben Clement, Janitor service		88.50
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		\$2,515.09

Police Department

Appropriation : \$700.00

Edward H. Brewer, Police duty	\$ 98.17
Bruno Vincent, Police duty	165.94
Isreal Latulippe, Police duty	30.00
Peter Duriga, Police duty	9.55
Arthur Bostwick, Police duty	37.80
Augustin Villeneuve, Police duty	204.78
Charles L. Pulford, Police duty (Includes Check #1913—\$22.45 reported lost,	45.30
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	\$ 591.54

Fire Department

Appropriation : \$4,550.00

Revenue 166.45

\$4,716.45

Paul's Oil Service, Fuel Oil	\$ 127.43
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Red Phone Service	324.48
Bedford Center Garage, Repairs	11.75
Public Service of New Hampshire	4.04
Charles C. Klaubert, Radio Service and repairs	112.89
Manchester Water Works, Hydrant Rental	1,000.00
Fred W. French, Gas and Supplies	130.27
Ernest Jenkins, Fire Warden	230.68
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, Indian Pumps	65.40

N. H. Auto Trimming Co., Covers	62.96
Kent, Covill Insurance Agency, Group Insurance	356.98
West Side Lumber Company, Lumber	3.84
Ralph M. Wiggin, Jr., Maintenance	137.81
New Hampshire State Firemen's Assn., Dues	59.00
Bedford Service Station, Gas	.65
Stanley's Tire Shop, Tire	61.59
Kent, Covil Insurance Agency, Fire, Theft & Liability	295.53
W. A. Paul Heating Service, Burner repairs	5.00
Edward G. Moody, Tank Body	1,051.87
Clarence A. Smith Garage, Truck chassis	495.00
Safa Alarm Div., Fyr Fyter Corp., Fire Alarm Code Wheels	28.47
Manchester Oxygen Company, Recharging Ex- tinguishers	4.00
Auto Electric Service, Charger and Wire	22.73
Manchester Firemen's Relief Assn., Donation	100.00
Frank H. Barnard, Rent of Water Hole	1.00
Earl Isham, Jr., Burner repairs	12.00
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	\$4,705.37

Fire Alarm

Appropriation: \$1,567.62 (Balance from 1954)

Civil Defense 1,327.69

\$2,895.31

Materials:

Safa Alarm Division, Fyr Fyter Corp., Equipment	\$2,473.00
Duracrete Block Company, Masonry Blocks	55.86
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	\$2,531.86

Labor :

Richard Ramig	16.20	
Robert Hannemann	31.20	
	<hr/>	47.40
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		2,576.26

Care of Trees

Appropriation :	\$300.00	
Walker Tree Experts		\$150.00

Bounties

Frank H. Barnard, money paid out		\$9.00
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Health Department

Appropriation :	\$50.00	
Estate of Frank P. French		\$25.00

Vital Statistics

Appropriation :	\$60.00	
Martha F. Wiggin		\$56.00

Town Dump

Appropriation :	\$500.00	
Richard Ramig, labor		\$ 10.00
Robert Lang, Truck		62.00

Fortin Construction Co., Bulldozing	72.00
John A. Connare, Inc., Tire	191.75
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	\$335.75

Town Road Aid

Appropriation :	\$994.04
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	\$994.04

Highway Department

Town Maintenance — Summer
Appropriation : \$8,500.00

Richard Ramig, labor	\$1,302.57
Robert Lang, labor	388.10
Charles Joslin, labor	372.70
Albert Dickerman, labor	1,168.40
George Dickerman, labor	590.20
Robert Hannemann, labor	1,781.75
Arthur Philibert, labor	195.00
Robert Preysnar, labor	273.00
Donald Tremblay, labor	274.70
Wilfred Patrick, labor	135.90
Fernando Courtemanche, labor	207.80
Richard Ramig, truck	1,923.85
Ernest Wheeler, truck	158.40
Fred Tuttle, truck	49.65
Robert Lang, truck	272.30
Robert Hannemann, car expense	31.50
Walter Preysnar, gravel	82.00
C. Arthur Wiggin, Gravel	6.00
Robie Construction Co., blasting, etc.	106.13
Abbie Sargent, gravel	21.00
E. Woodward, gravel	14.00
Arthur Bennett, gravel	2.00
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	\$9,395.95

Street Lighting

Appropriation:	\$1,391.04	
New Lights approved	224.64	
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	\$1,615.68	
Public Service Company of New Hampshire		\$1,510.20

Highway Department

General Expense and Winter Maintenance

Appropriation:	\$10,000.00
Revenue	583.50
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	\$10,583.50

Materials purchased, Repairs, etc:

Scott Machinery, Inc., parts and service	\$ 1,066.01
South Street Garage, towing	40.00
R. C. Hazelton, Inc., parts	123.41
Ashburner's Texaco Station, gas and oil	61.67
E. K. Willard, Inc., parts and service	330.35
Fred's Service Station, gas, oil and repairs	230.25
Clark's Hardware, materials	184.75
Gulf Oil Corporation, deisel fuel	494.17
Lyons Iron Works, materials	101.09
Public Service Company	21.02
International Salt Co., road salt	1,410.00
N. H. Farm Tractor Co., parts	1.25
Granite State Asphalt, patching material	25.87
Hume Pipe Co. of N. E., concrete culvert	921.03
Fred W. French, supplies	112.84
Ray Road Equipment Co., rake teeth	40.00
Kent-Covill Insurance Agency, workmen's compensation	445.18

Ralph M. Wiggin, snow removal	40.00
John A. Connare, Inc., tires and repairs	220.62
Koppers Co., Inc., fence posts	112.50
H. E. Fraser, signs	6.00
Rice's, Inc., inner tube	24.70
Mathias-Hart Co., Inc., coats and boots	87.14
C. W. Watson & Co., hydraulic hose	25.70
Petro Metal Industries, signs	140.30
Perley Chappel & Sons, parts	20.96
Bedford Service Station, gas and oil	36.93
Stanley's Tire Shop, battery	45.10
Pleasant St. Machine Co., machine work	6.00
Manchester Redimix Concrete, concrete	65.03
Treasurer, State of N. H., culvert pipe	428.46
West Side Lumber Co., lumber	6.78
N. H. Explosives & Machinery, repairs	46.25
Charles H. Field, snow plow	300.00
Frederick W. Wolf, snow plow frame	20.00
Richard Ramig, rent of power saw	64.00

\$ 7,305.41

Truck Hire and Labor:

Richard Ramig, truck	\$ 701.60
Robert Lang, truck	254.20
Fred Tuttle, truck	160.00
E. K. Wheeler, truck	190.00
Olan Christie, truck	42.00
Richard Ramig, labor	487.10
Charles Joslin, labor	293.20
Albert Dickerman, labor	348.00
Robert Lang, labor	165.70
Robert Hannemann, labor	515.40
Ernest Philibert, labor	14.00
H. Campbell, labor	11.00
Olan Christie, labor	4.00

\$ 3,186.20

Director of Internal Revenue—

Withholding Taxes

868.50

\$11,360.11

Tar — Class V Highways

Appropriation: \$12,000.00

Revenue 395.18

\$12,395.18

Materials, etc.:

Granite State Asphalt Products Co.,

patch \$ 672.26

Barrett Div. Allied Chemical & Dye.,

tar 6,305.28

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire:

T. R. A. Overdraft—1954 68.33

T. R. A. Overdraft—1955 1,074.94

\$ 8,120.81

Labor and Truck Hire:

Richard Ramig, labor \$118.50

Richard Ramig, truck 310.10

Robert Lang, labor 24.00

Robert Lang, truck 514.60

Charles Joslin, labor 163.10

Albert Dickerman, labor 122.40

Robert Lang, fill 40.00

Robert Lang, tractor loader 228.00

George Dickerman, labor 87.30

Robert Hannemann, labor 135.60

E. K. Wheeler, truck 124.00

Robert Preysnar, labor 43.20

Arthur Philibert, labor	83.00	
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		\$10,114.61

Gravel

Appropriation: \$4,000.00

Materials:

Robie Construction Co., Gravel	\$946.24	
Arthur Bennett—gravel	79.50	
Abbie Sargent, gravel	10.00	
George Woodbury, gravel	35.00	
Walter Preysnar, gravel	23.00	
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Labor and Truck Hire:

Richard Ramig, labor	\$279.20	
Richard Ramig, truck	385.70	
Robert Lang, labor	271.60	
Albert Dickerman, labor	166.00	
Donald Tremblay, labor	28.50	
Robert Hannemann, labor	352.50	
Robert Lang, truck	164.50	
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		\$2,999.44

Library

Appropriation \$800.00

Isabelle M. Barnard, Treasurer	\$800.00
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Old Age Assistance

Appropriation \$3,000.00

State of New Hampshire	\$2,181.79
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Town Poor

Appropriation \$1,000.00

Marshall's Drugstore	\$38.75	
Treasurer, Hillsborough County, food	7.86	
Donald Street Market	42.00	
Garand's Prescription Store	2.85	
Paul E. Boutillier, M.D.	28.00	
Moore General Hospital	173.75	
Robert F. Provencher, M.D.	5.50	
Manchester Anesthesia Service	30.00	
Dr. Michael A. Michaels	50.00	
Frank H. Barnard, Overseer, money paid out	22.21	
	<hr/>	\$400.92

Memorial Day

Appropriation \$50.00

Stevens—Buswell Post No. 54	\$48.00
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Memorial Plot

Appropriation \$25.00

Paul Johonnett, mowing grass	\$11.25
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Soldier's Aid

Appropriation \$1,000.00

Care of child	\$360.00
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Cemetery Hill Road

Appropriation \$1,000.00

Robie Construction Co., paving lower section	\$911.48	
Robie Construction Co, paving hill section	225.00	
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Cemeteries and Equipment

Appropriation \$900.00

Bedford Center Garage, repairs	6.30	
Emery-Waterhouse Co., two mowers	176.00	
J. J. Moreau & Son, electric cord	9.84	
Emery-Waterhouse Co., rakes	4.90	
Bedford Center Old Cemetery Ass'n, pumping water	25.00	
Fred W. French, supplies, gas & oil	29.27	
Paul W. Johonnett, maintenance and repairs	13.72	
	<hr/>	\$265.10

Paul W. Johonnett for Labor:

New Cemetery	\$482.56	
Joppa	88.28	
Beals	24.95	
Back River Road	51.51	
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		\$912.40

Town Clock

Appropriation	\$50.00	
Charles H. Fulton	\$33.33	
Ralph M. Wiggin, Jr.	12.50	
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Damage and Legal Expense

Appropriation	\$150.00	
Eaton and Eaton		\$202.50

Regional Association

Appropriation	\$50.00	
Merrimack Valley Regional Association, Donation		\$50.00

Taxes Bought by the Town

Irene M. Parkhurst, Tax Collector	\$1,135.81
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Discounts and Abatements

Irene M. Parkhurst, Tax Discounts	\$2,171.72
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Tax Abatements:

By Selectmen	\$55.30	
By Irene M. Parkhurst, Tax Collector		
Property Tax—1955 Levy	42.00	
Property Tax—1954 Levy	211.77	
Property Tax—1953 Levy	8.00	
Poll Taxes—1955 Levy	26.00	
Poll Taxes—1954 Levy	32.00	
Poll Taxes—1953 Levy	4.00	
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		\$2,550.79

Tax Sales Cost

Irene M. Parkhurst, Collector	\$86.48
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Head Tax Abatements

Irene M. Parkhurst, Collector :

1953 Levy	\$ 5.00
1954 Levy	95.00
1955 Levy	60.00

\$160.00

Head Tax Commission and Expense

Irene M. Parkhurst, Commissions

1954 Levy	\$ 36.15
1955 Levy	191.10

\$227.25

Expenses :

John R. Burleigh, Expenses	\$100.00
Ray Starita, Expenses	100.00
Frank H. Barnard, Expenses	100.00
Ruemeley Press, Printing Tax Bills	59.35

\$586.60

Hazen Road

Appropriation	\$8,500.00
Bernard L. Prince, Plans and Layout	\$ 265.00
Manchester Sand, Gravel & Cement Co., Builder	8,297.00
West Side Lumber Company, Lumber	84.80
Emery-Waterhouse Co., Highway fence	25.14
Koppers Co. Inc., Posts	46.50
Richard Ramig, Power Saw Rental	32.00

\$8,750.44

Heavy Duty Tractor and Loader

Appropriation	\$7,500.00	
E. K. Willard, Inc.		\$7,530.00

Loan in Anticipation of Taxes

Authorized	\$25,000.00	
Amoskeag National Bank		\$15,000.00

Interest

Authorized	\$150.00	
Amoskeag National Bank		\$65.00

Police Radios

Appropriation	\$550.00	
Treasurer, State of N. H.		
Share in cost of 2 radios	\$501.16	
James C. Wheeler, Installation	50.00	
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		\$551.16

Capital Reserve Account for Grader

Appropriation	\$2,500.00	
Trustees of Bedford Trust Funds		\$2,500.00

Head Taxes Paid to State of N. H.

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire—		
1954 Levy	\$1,210.00	
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire—		
1955 Levy	4,082.50	
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		\$7,003.00

County Tax

Albert W. Beaudet, Treasurer	
Hillsborough County	\$20,103.08

School District

Henry A. Blood, Treasurer	\$115,695.86
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Total Payments for all purposes	\$241,841.27

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. BURLEIGH
RAY STARITA
FRANK H. BARNARD

Selectmen

To the Selectmen :

Each year there is a demand for a statement on forest fires for publication in the annual town report. It is believed they serve a good purpose in reminding local citizens of the danger from such fires and how they can help prevent them. The following is offered with the respectful request for publication in your town report.

Sincerely,

GUY O. HOLLIS,

District Fire Chief

BE A GOOD CITIZEN—COOPERATE

Smoking and debris burning caused more than 50 percent of the forest fires occurring in the state of New Hampshire in 1955—235 fires out of a total of 463 originated from these two sources. Lighted smoking material and matches thrown from moving vehicles along the highway or dropped by fishermen, hunters, hikers, berry and flower pickers accounted for 26 percent; debris burning in the wrong place or at the wrong time by those who failed to heed all pleas for safety or refused to recognize the logical, sensible rules and regulations set up under legislative authority governing the use of fire in or near woodlands accounted for more than 24 percent. This is inexcusable.

Everything possible is being done officially to remedy the situation. Since 1909 there has been a statute on our law books which requires everyone to secure written permission from the local forest fire warden before starting a fire in or near woodlands or where fire can be communicated to woodlands, unless the ground is covered with snow. A never ending program of educational work is being car-

ried on by your local warden and state officials to inform the general public both of the value and necessity of securing the required permit for such burning. Much progress has been made, but there are still many who fail or refuse to cooperate. The value of our permit system was definitely proven in this district during the 1955 calendar year. Local wardens issued 1621 permits for debris burning fires. That's a lot of permits. The records show only 8 permit fires got out of control. This proves several things—while wardens were liberal in the issuance of fire permits, accommodating every applicant so far as possible, they were cautious, following closely directives outlining overall policy governing the issuance of burning permits and thoroughly instructing permit users. The latter, too, fully appreciating their responsibility in using their permits, governed themselves accordingly. Result? Much burning done legally and safe.

But what of the smokers? Despite all the efforts of those officially charged with the responsibility of preventing fires, too many were careless or thoughtless in disposing of smoking material and matches. Why? It is difficult to say. Autos are now equipped with ash trays. Why not use them? The crushing out of a cigar, cigarette and the complete extinguishment of matches before being discarded is an easy chore.

If the costly habits of the careless and indifferent smoker and debris burner could be overcome, more than half of our annual forest fires would be eliminated.

Will YOU do YOUR share to bring this about?

REMEMBER

1. Get a written permit from your local warden before starting your debris burning or camp fire. The law requires it.
2. Make certain they are dead out before leaving them.

3. Become a safe smoker by extinguishing smoking material and matches before discarding them.

BE A GOOD CITIZEN—COOPERATE

Number of local fires	13
Number of acres burned	5.75
Number of permits issued	302

GUY O. HOLLIS,

District Fire Chief

ERNEST JENKINS,

Forest Fire Warden

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Tar applied to Class V highways:

Nashua Road	3	miles
Wagon Wheel Cross Road	750	feet
Wallace Road	1,500	feet
Church Road	.5	miles
Ministerial Road	.4	miles
Old Bedford Road	600	feet
Constance Street	1,000	feet
Beaudoin Street	600	feet
Plummer Road	.3	miles
Woodbury Lane	700	feet
Liberty Hill Road	2.5	miles
County Road	.7	miles
Patten Road	.4	miles
Meetinghouse Road	2.4	miles
Total	11 miles 926 feet	

T. R. A.

New town roads built under Town Road Aid Program:

Connare Hill road	1,000	feet
Old Bedford Road	300	feet
Wayside Drive	365	feet
Palomino Lane	1,200	feet
Herscy Street	1,200	feet
Patten Road	2,376	feet
Gravel	4,252	yds.
Total	1 mile 161 feet	

New Tar Roads built by Town

North Amherst Road	200	feet
Carlisle Road	850	feet
Ministerial Road	600	feet
Davies Street	300	feet
Keene Street	450	feet
Hull Road	400	feet
Hazen Road	.45	miles
Pauline Street	.01	miles

Gravel Applied by Town

Lawes Street	600	feet
Darling Street	150	feet
Ministerial Road	600	feet
Gage Girls Road	500	feet
Wayside Drive	365	feet
Palomino Lane	1,200	feet
Hersey Street	1,200	feet
North Amherst Road	200	feet
Carlisle Road	850	feet
Davies Street	300	feet
Keene Street	450	feet
Hull Road	400	feet
Shepards Mill Road	.2	mile
Old County Road	.2	mile
Jolicoeurs Road	.1	mile
Preysnar Road	.1	mile
First Street	300	feet
Second Street	300	feet
Third Street	300	feet
Gravel	5330	yards
Sand—Winter Use	1200	yards
Sand—Tar	1190	yards

New Culverts laid

Metal—10"	16	feet
Metal—48"	40	feet

Concrete—12"	326 feet
Concrete—15"	40 feet
Concrete—18"	140 feet
Concrete—24"	24 feet
Old Culverts relaid	108 feet

Bridges Built

Beals Road across McQuade Brook	
Reinforced Concrete Slab	15' x 16 x 5"
Steel posts and railing	

RICHARD J. RAMIG,
Road Agent

REPORT OF N. H. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

The Selectmen of Bedford

The New Hampshire State Department of Health, Bureau of Public Health Nursing has completed their Well Child Conferences and Salk Vaccine Clinics done this past year in your town. Physical examination and Immunization against Diphtheria, Tetanus, Whooping Cough, Small Pox and Salk Vaccine were given by a physician.

57	Examinations
12	Infant
45	Pre-School
72	Triple Toxoid
14	Infant
14	Pre-School
38	Booster
6	School
19	Small Pox
4	Infant
15	Pre-School
144	Salk Vaccine

Health education program was emphasized on all home visits and defects were placed under treatment.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Doctors, Nurses and Women's Club for their assistance, also wish to thank the Parents and friends who have so generously helped with the work of the Public Health Nurse.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) HAZEL W. SOMES,

Public Health Nurse

Trust Funds

Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED			Principal Amount of	Balance at Beginning of Year	Rate of Interest	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income at End of Year
Oct. 31, 1888	Adam Chandler	Library Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	600.00	....	3%	\$18.90	\$18.90	
Oct. 22, 1898	Barr Fund	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	300.00	....	3%	9.44	9.44	
Mar. 18, 1901	Bursiel Fund	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Oct. 31, 1902	David Swett	Cemetery Fund	Manchester	Savings Bank	..	150.00	7.06	3%	5.10	5.00	7.16
Dec. 11, 1903	Shepard Fund	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	36.15	3%	6.30	3.00	39.45
Mar. 23, 1904	Walker Fund	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	21.80	3%	3.14	20.00	4.94
Mar. 21, 1907	Caroline A. Moore	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
April 26, 1907	Susan J. Clark	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	300.00	....	3%	9.44	9.44	
June 5, 1908	Annie Townsend	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	50.00	....	3%	1.56	1.56	
Mar. 10, 1909	Sarah H. Clark	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	14.76	3%	3.14	3.14	
Mar. 13, 1909	William M. Patten	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Dec. 13, 1909	William C. Damon	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	14.76	3%	6.30	6.30	14.76
Dec. 16, 1910	Stephen C. Damon	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	12.10	3%	6.30	4.00	14.40
Mar. 16, 1912	Rufus Parkhurst	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	50.00	2.76	3%	1.56	1.50	2.82
Nov. 27, 1914	Mary E. Parker	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Nov. 5, 1914	Gilman H. Moore	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
April 10, 1917	Clement Fund	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Dec. 8, 1917	Starlevant & Moore	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Sept. 21, 1917	Thomas L. Burns	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	5.00	3%	6.30	4.00	7.30
Jan. 28, 1919	Moore and Kittredge	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
July 19, 1919	Harry A. Shepard	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Feb. 13, 1920	Thomas W. Moore	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Nov. 17, 1921	George F. Barnard	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	50.00	1.50	3%	1.56	1.50	1.56
May 13, 1922	Mary M. Glapp	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Apr. 15, 1922	Susan S. Foster	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Nov. 2, 1923	Addie L. Gage	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Feb. 1, 1924	Lavinia Seavey	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
July 24, 1924	Frank F. Flint	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	14.05	3%	3.14	3.14	14.05
Dec. 9, 1924	Julia A. Stevens	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Dec. 12, 1924	Charles Beal	Library Fund	Manchester	Savings Bank	..	500.00	....	3 1/4%	17.01	17.01	
Dec. 3, 1925	Mandana Roby	Cemetery Fund	Manchester	Savings Bank	..	200.00	5.10	3 1/4%	6.80	6.00	5.90
Apr. 5, 1925	Charles Gaze	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Oct. 27, 1925	Mary J. Moore	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
May 26, 1926	Lauren E. Cutler	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	150.00	6.06	3%	4.72	6.00	4.78
Feb. 23, 1927	James N. Mitchell	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
May 19, 1927	Lacy B. Savage	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Oct. 20, 1927	Charles B. Stowell	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Mar. 21, 1928	Charles B. Grant	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Feb. 28, 1929	Angeline Campbell	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	50.00	....	3%	1.56	1.56	
Apr. 18, 1929	William Hobart	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	300.00	....	3%	9.44	9.44	
Oct. 13, 1929	George A. Gookin	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
Feb. 19, 1930	Gora H. Beal	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
May 22, 1930	Imogene M. Buswell	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	....	3%	3.14	3.14	
June 2, 1930	Edward E. Schneider	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	2.04	3%	3.14	3.14	2.04
Nov. 6, 1930	Charles E. Bursell	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	2.04	3%	3.14	3.14	2.04
Apr. 2, 1931	Dennis R. Chase	Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	2.04	3%	3.14	3.14	2.04

Jan.	7, 1932	Parkhurst & Atwood	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	150.00	8.06	3%	4.72	4.00	8.78
Jan.	7, 1932	Hariet J. Parkhurst	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	11.13	3%	3.14	3.14	11.13
Apr.	4, 1932	Thomas E. Barr	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	150.00	...	3%	4.72	4.72	
Mar.	3, 1932	Mary L. Osgood	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
June	23, 1932	Quincy Barnard	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	2.04	3%	3.14	3.14	2.04
Aug.	7, 1933	Katherine E. Moore	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	4.72	8.06	3%	4.72	4.00	8.78
June	21, 1934	Nelson Fosher	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	50.00	...	3%	1.56	1.56	
June	29, 1935	Peter Parker	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
June	24, 1936	Albert P. Watson	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
Feb.	13, 1936	Charles P. Woodbury	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
Apr.	2, 1936	John O. Parker	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
May	4, 1936	George H. Wiggin	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	150.00	8.06	3%	4.72	4.00	8.78
July	16, 1936	Frank French	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	125.00	2.54	3%	3.93	3.00	3.47
July	18, 1936	Sarah L. Witherspoon	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	30.00	2.76	3%	1.56	1.50	2.82
June	18, 1937	Ernestine Wolf	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	50.00	2.76	3%	1.56	1.50	2.82
Apr.	4, 1938	Sabra Dearborn	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	300.00	3.12	3%	9.44	5.00	7.56
Dec.	5, 1938	Frank H. Waters	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
July	27, 1939	John M. Hodgman	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
Apr.	3, 1940	Jennie R. Clapp	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	2.04	3%	3.14	3.14	2.04
May	31, 1941	Mrs. William E. Felch	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
Jan.	19, 1942	Mrs. James G. Dunnington	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	2.04	3%	3.14	3.14	2.04
Feb.	3, 1942	Gillis and Iolien French	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
Sept.	15, 1942	Fred H. Merrill	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
Apr.	1, 1943	Mrs. Adeline Hinton	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
June	1, 1943	Dr. Granville E. Hoffes	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	1.54	3%	3.14	3.00	1.68
Aug.	10, 1943	Albert B. McLeain	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	8.79	3%	6.30	5.00	10.09
Oct.	25, 1943	Illicks and McFadden	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	3.04	3%	3.14	3.14	3.04
May	24, 1944	A. J. McKelvie	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	3.00	3%	3.14	3.14	3.00
Nov.	29, 1944	Frank H. Waters	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	2,000.00	...	3%	62.99	3.14	2.00
Nov.	29, 1944	John Leslie	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
Nov.	29, 1944	Frances E. Woodbury	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	1,500.00	5.51	3%	3.14	3.14	5.51
Nov.	30, 1944	Willis B. Kendall	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	1,000.00	...	3%	47.23	47.23	
Nov.	30, 1944	Willis B. Kendall	Church Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	1,000.00	.26	3%	31.49	12.06	19.69
Nov.	30, 1944	Willis B. Kendall	Prize Speak. Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	2,000.00	...	3%	314.94	314.94	
Nov.	30, 1944	Willis B. Kendall	Library Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	1,000.00	88.92	3%	62.99	49.00	102.91
Mar.	5, 1946	Hattie Beane	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	31.49	31.49	
Mar.	18, 1946	Charles Lenx	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	9.10	3%	6.30	4.00	11.40
Mar.	30, 1946	Charles D. Barnard	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	5.10	3%	6.80	4.00	7.90
June	18, 1946	Achshab A. Snell	Cemetery Fund	..	Manchester	Savings Bank	..	150.00	4.06	3%	5.10	5.00	4.16
Jan.	29, 1947	Anna G. Holbrook	Cemetery Fund	..	Manchester	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
Mar.	8, 1948	Charles J. Tinker	Cemetery Fund	..	Manchester	Savings Bank	..	200.00	8.17	3%	6.80	4.00	10.97
Sept.	1, 1948	William Currie	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	6.10	3%	6.30	4.00	8.40
Apr.	13, 1949	Jessie P. Howard	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	7.10	3%	6.30	4.00	9.40
Dec.	16, 1950	Grace B. Holtzman	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	4.54	3%	3.14	3.14	4.54
Dec.	18, 1950	John C. Schaller	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	100.00	...	3%	3.14	3.14	
July	24, 1952	Myron L. Stiekney	Cemetery Fund	..	Manchester	Savings Bank	..	75.00	...	3%	2.26	2.55	2.26
Oct.	1, 1952	Samuel H. Patton	Cemetery Fund	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	200.00	1.52	3%	6.30	5.00	2.82
Mar.	4, 1954	Lynan H. Fulton	Cemetery Fund	..	Manchester	Savings Bank	..	125.00	...	3%	4.26	3.00	1.26
Oct.	4, 1955	Bedford Cap. Res. Fund	Highway Equip.	..	Anoskeag	Savings Bank	..	2,500.00	...				

TOTALS

\$32,800.00 \$432.27 \$957.63 \$902.79 \$487.11

This is to certify that we have examined the above account and have found it correct.

RAYMOND D. BRUCE,

C. FREEMAN SHAW,

GEORGE T. WIGGIN.

Trustees

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BEDFORD TRUST FUNDS

Year ending December 31, 1955

Receipts:

Balance on Hand January 1, 1955	\$ 432.27
Interest Received from Trust Accounts	957.63
	<hr/> \$1,389.90

Expenditures:

Glenn Lake Nurseries — Plants	11.00
Martha F. Wiggin, Church Treasurer	314.94
Willis B. Kendall, Church Fund	
Ralph M. Wiggin, Jr., Treasurer	80.23
Bedford Center Old Cemetery Funds	
Isabelle M. Barnard, Treasurer	177.62
Library Trustees Funds	
Paul W. Johonnett, Cemetery Trustee	35.00
Joppa Cemetery	
Paul W. Johonnett, Cemetery Trustee	215.00
Bedford Center Cemetery (New)	
Paul W. Johonnett, Cemetery Trustee	20.00
Old Cemetery Back River Road	
Mrs. Elizabeth Mulroy, School Dept.	41.00
Willis B. Kendall, Prize Speaking—Prizes	
Mrs. Emeroy Smith	8.00
Willis B. Kendall Prize Speaking	
Coaching Bedford Winner	
	<hr/> 902.79
Balance on Hand December 31, 1955	487.11
	<hr/> \$1,389.90

Respectfully submitted,

C. FREEMAN SHAW,

Clerk of Trustees

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES — DECEMBER 31, 1955

Appropriations:

TOWN	Center	Beals	Joppa	Rv. Rd.	M. Plot	T. Hall	Equip.	Total
TRUST FUNDS	\$500.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$12.75	\$200.00	\$ 912.75
	215.00		35.00	20.00				270.00

Revenue:

Lawn Mower Sold:
Cemetery Lots Sold:

10.00
65.00

\$1,257.75

Expenditures:

Labor	Center	Beals	Joppa	Rv. Rd.	M. Plot	T. Hall	Equip.	Total
Paul Johannett	\$285.70	\$19.07	\$ 43.14	\$28.13	\$ 7.62	\$ 7.62		\$ 391.28
Jeffrey Arthur	17.50	1.00	1.75	1.75	2.50	1.00		25.50
Joel Treiry	17.25				3.00			20.25
Harold Hersey	97.52		36.26	32.75				166.53
Earl Isham, Jr.	94.90		6.88					101.78
Henry Blood, Jr.	95.67	4.88	7.13	6.38	2.63	4.13		120.82
James Harkeem	8.00							8.00
Peter LaPointe	4.25			2.50				9.25
James Barnard	17.00		2.50					17.00
Gordon Woodbury	15.00							15.00
Materials & Equipment:								
Loam & Grass Seed	37.35		22.89					60.24
J. J. Moreau & Son—Parts ..							11.22	11.22
Clarks' Hardware							1.25	1.25
Bedford Center Garage							1.25	1.25
	\$690.14	\$24.95	\$120.55	\$71.51	\$15.75	\$12.75	\$ 13.72	\$ 949.37

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

For the Year Ending December 31, 1955

Receipts

Balance on hand, January 1, 1955	\$ 35.22
Town Appropriation	800.00
Sale of Old Magazines	1.25
Trust Funds	177.62
Fines on Past Due Books	15.00
Donation from Community Welfare Committee of Narragansett Grange for Combination Windows	25.00
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	\$1,054.09

Expenditures

Books and Magazines	188.52
Supplies	2.08
Librarians	360.00
Janitor	48.00
Farm Bureau Insurance	36.05
Paul's Oil Service (Fuel)	82.60
Eugene Trembley (Repair on Chimney)	5.00
Goodman's Bookstore (Typewriter)	62.62
W. A. Paul Heating Service (Service and parts)	15.95
R. S. Sawyer and Co. (Steel Files)	41.25
Granite State Window Co. (Combination Windows)	198.00
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	\$1,040.07
Balance on Hand December 31, 1955	14.02
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	\$1,054.09

Respectfully submitted,
ISABELLE M. BARNARD,
Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT OF LIBRARIAN
OF
BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Year ending December 31, 1955

Library Trustees:

John Jacobson, Jr. — 1956
Isabelle Barnard — 1957
Clifford Blanchard — 1958

Librarian:

Minnie F. King

Assistant Librarian:

Frances M. Wiggin

Library Hours:

Friday afternoons, 2 to 5 o'clock
Friday evenings, 7 to 9 o'clock

Number of books in Library December 31, 1955	9,377
Accessions during the year 1955	
By gift	121
By purchase	67

Circulation:

Number of books loaned	3,750
Number of magazines loaned	1,452

We take this means of expressing our thanks to the members of the Narragansett Grange who, through their project for Community Welfare Service, helped in purchasing double windows for the library.

We also thank the interested friends from whom we have received gifts of books or magazines, namely:

Mrs. Gordon Woodbury
Mrs. Cecil Nickolls
Mrs. Charles Costanzo
Mrs. Robert Woodward
Mrs. Clifford Blanchard
The Bedford Mothers Club
Mrs. Ralph M. Wiggin, Jr.
Mrs. John Jacobson
Mr. A. E. Deacks
Mrs. Robert Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. John R. Burleigh
Mrs. Ray Follansbee
Rev. and Mrs. Albert P. Watson
Miss Harlaine Hobbs
Mr. George Plympton
Mr. Edward Jenkins
Mrs. Byron Peck
Mrs. John M. Sargent
Mrs. James Driscoll
Mrs. Eugene Van Loan
Mrs. John Nelson
The Bedford Garden Club
Mrs. Ralph M. Wiggin, Sr.
Mr. John Ton
Mrs. Raymond Covill
Mrs. Charles Pulford
Mr. Kenneth Jenkins
Mr. William Covill
Mrs. Alexander Majeski

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE F. KING,

Librarian

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITORS

We hereby certify we have examined the accounts for the Year 1955 of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Treasurer of the Public Library, Trustees of Trust Funds, Superintendent of Cemeteries and Highway Agent. The totals are correct and the vouchers satisfactory.

GILLIS FRENCH,
AGNES A. SMITH,

February 4, 1956

Auditors

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Bedford, N. H. qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Bedford, Town Hall in said district on the 20th day of March 1956, at eight o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund

together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see what action the voters wish to take upon any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

10. To see if the district will vote to elect its School District Officers by an official ballot and to adopt the non-partisan ballot system as provided in Sections 77, 79-86 of Chapter 59 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, for such elections.

Given under our hands at said Bedford this 23rd day of February 1956

MAX F. GOWEN
MALCOLM L. BUNKER
ELIZABETH R. MULROY

School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

MAX F. GOWEN
MALCOLM L. BUNKER
ELIZABETH R. MULROY

School Board

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BEDFORD, N. H.

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1955

Summary

Cash on Hand July 1, 1954	
(Treasurer's bank balance)	\$ 936.70
Received from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	\$94,555.10
Special Appropriations	1,000.00
Received from State Treasurer:	
State Funds—School Lunch	1,997.75
Received from all Other Sources	927.43
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Total Receipts	\$98,480.28
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Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	99,416.98
Less School Board Orders Paid	98,837.25
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Balance on Hand June 30, 1955	
(Treasurer's Bank Balance)	\$ 579.73

July 1, 1955

HENRY A. BLOOD,
District Treasurer

ARTHUR N. HODGMAN,
Auditor

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the school district of Bedford, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 and find them correct in all respects.

FRANK P. FRENCH,
ARTHUR N. HODGMAN,

Auditors

July 26th, 1955

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

<i>Date</i>	<i>From Whom</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
7/11/54	State of N. H.	School Lunch	\$ 211.40
7/11/54	State of N. H.	School Lunch	153.95
9/11/54	Selectmen	Appropriation	10,000.00
9/16/54	Arthur Bostwick	Sale of Floor oil	3.00
10/22/54	Chas. Hardy	Rent of School	3.00
10/22/54	Selectmen	Appropriation	10,000.00
11/15/54	Selectmen	Appropriation	10,000.00
	State of N. H.	School Lunch	121.40
11/22/54	Selectmen	Appropriation	10,000.00
12/10/54	Selectmen	Appropriation	20,000.00
12/11/54	State of N. H.	School Lunch	149.65
12/31/54	Selectmen	Appropriation	19,555.10
1/18/55	State of N. H.	School Lunch	241.90
2/11/55	State of N. H.	School Lunch	207.80
3/11/55	State of N. H.	School Lunch	265.90
3/11/55	Lockwood Bodwell Ins.	Ret Premium	873.33
4/ 8/55	Selectmen	Appropriation	5,000.00
4/ 9/55	State of N. H.	School Lunch	175.40
5/ 6/55	Selectmen	Appropriation	5,000.00
5/27/55	Selectmen	Appropriation	5,000.00
5/16/55	State of N. H.	Lunch Fund	300.95
6/10/55	Maxfield Press	Refund	5.60
6/10/55	State of N. H.	School Lunch	169.40
6/20/55	J. J. Holcomb Co.	Drums Returned	5.00
6/20/55	Selectmen	Special Appro.	1,000.00
	Check Returned		37.50
Total Receipts During Year			<hr/> \$98,480.28

ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

1956-1957

<i>EXPENDITURES ITEM</i>	Actual Expendi- tures 1954-55	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Actual Expendi- tures July 1 to Dec. 31, 1955	School Board's Budget 1956-57
ADMINISTRATION				
Salaries of district officers	\$ 410.00	\$ 560.00	\$ 570.00	\$ 570.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	870.38	929.25		1,094.40
Tax for state wide supervision	692.00	754.00		908.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	919.00	1,208.00	1,419.80	1,655.34
Supplies and expenses	587.75	685.10	531.91	807.76
INSTRUCTION				
Elementary teachers' & principals' salaries	33,895.91	43,455.00	20,012.40	46,405.00
Books and other instruction aids, elementary	1,065.96	1,023.00	1,175.69	1,323.75
Scholars' supplies, elementary	1,444.30	1,302.00	1,364.52	1,588.50
Supplies and other expenses, elementary	657.20	700.00	461.88	1,131.25
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT				
Salaries of custodians, elementary	1,662.90	2,700.00	1,465.20	2,550.00
Fuel or heat, elementary	1,388.49	3,000.00	941.23	2,300.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses, elementary	1,844.47	2,200.00	2,874.88	3,305.53
MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT				
Repairs and replacements, elementary	2,129.47	2,500.00	1,242.40	2,250.00
AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES				
Health supervision, elementary	1,236.02	1,075.00	695.15	1,100.00
Transportation, elementary	10,204.51	9,800.00	4,896.90	9,751.96
Tuition, high	26,561.48	29,520.00	15,990.83	31,200.00
Special activities and special funds, elementary		200.00	3.71	200.00
School lunch and special milk, elementary	2,630.38	1,500.00	987.65	1,750.00
FIXED CHARGES				
Retirement, elementary	2,262.53	2,784.26	872.68	3,076.16
Insurance, treas. bonds & expenses, elementary	1,862.56	2,000.00	47.39	1,409.19
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
Lands and new buildings, elementary	2,446.50			
Additions and improvements, elementary	3,315.34			
New equipment, elementary	707.00			715.00
DEBT AND INTEREST				
Principal of debt		11,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00
Interest on debt		3,300.25	1,709.25	3,063.75
BUDGET DEFICIENCY				
Balance 6/30/55	579.73	3,500.00		
Total Expenditures or Sch. Approp.	\$ 98,373.88	\$125,695.86	\$ 68,263.47	\$129,155.59

<i>RECEIPTS ITEM</i>	Actual Receipts 1954-55	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Actual Receipts July 1 to Dec. 31, 1955	School Board's Budget 1956-57
*Balance (actual and estimated)	936.70			
Federal aid (Hot Lunch)	1,997.75		1,288.41	
Other	884.33			
TOT. REC'TS OTHER THAN PROP. TAXES	\$ 3,818.78		\$ 1,288.41	
DIST. ASSESSMENT RAISED OR TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES	\$95,555.10			
TOTAL APPROP. VOTED BY SCH. DIST.	\$99,373.88			

MAURICE J. HAMEL
 RICHARD RUELKE
 ADRIEN E. NORMANDIN
 RAY STARITA
 ROBERT M. RAMIG
 ALEXANDER MAJESKI
 MAX F. GOWEN

Budget Committee

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of District Officers:

Arthur Hodgman	\$ 20.00
Malcom Bunker	41.70
Max Gowen	125.00
Elizabeth Mulroy	125.00
J. Crepps Wickliffe	58.30
Henry Blood	40.00
	————— \$ 410.00

Superintendent's Salary (Local share):

\$ 870.38

Tax for State Wide Supervision:

\$ 692.00

Salaries of Other Personnel:

Max Gowen	\$ 527.50
Gertrude Keeler	75.00
Helping Teacher Salary	316.50
Secretaries' Salaries	168.80
	————— \$ 1,087.80

Supplies and Expenses:

Max Gowen	\$ 163.53
Hillsboro County Reg. of Deeds	2.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	12.95
Maxfield Press, supplies	30.35
Supt's and Helping Teacher Travel	284.85
N. H. S. B. A.	10.00
Keystone Press, printing	22.00
Edward McQuillan	15.00
Henry J. Hastings, expenses	43.40
State of N. H., engrossing fee	1.00
Bank Service	2.67
	————— \$ 587.75

Principal's and Teachers' Salaries :

Ann Adams	\$2,700.00
Evelyn Barton	2,700.00
Martha Crosby	2,800.00
Thomas Duffy	2,850.00
Catherine Hammond	210.00
Eleanor Hodgman	1,140.00
Beverley Jebb	927.36
Ursula Jensen	1,500.00
Elizabeth Kean	2,900.00
Dorothy Marcy	2,950.00
Dorothy McLain	2,935.00
Phyllis O'Neil	2,900.00
Happie Wallingford	2,900.00
Irene Warner	1,795.30
Rinchart Handwriting System	450.00
Norma Osgood	800.00
Theresa Grace	575.00
Charlotte Mellen	16.00
Paul Hendrick	16.00
Rose Isham	360.00
Edmond Houle	20.00
Mrs. Parker Bailey	8.00
Mrs. Robert Bailey	16.00
Nashua Trust—June Tax	367.40
Wash. Nat'l Ins.—June	10.50
N. H.-Vt. Hospital Service	50.85
	————— \$33,895.91

Books and Other Instructional Aids :

Ginn & Company	\$ 70.04
L. W. Singer Co.	87.95
Row, Peterson & Co.	11.80
MacMillan Co.	132.60
Silver Burdett Co.	132.00
C. S. Hammond & Co.	25.36
C. C. Birchard & Co.	100.41

Scott, Foresman Co.	206.69
Follett Publishing Co.	54.79
A. Flanagan Co.	11.83
American Book Company	124.40
Rand McNally	27.57
Houghton Mifflin	68.40
Elementary Eval. Criteria	4.50
R. W. Eschmeyer	4.50
Garrad Press	3.12

\$1,065.96

Scholars' Supplies:

Standard Duplicating Co.	55.96
Ralph Linton	1.25
L. W. Singer Co.	10.26
Silver Burdett	86.83
News Maps of the Week	16.50
Scott, Foresman Co.	286.27
Lyons & Carnahan Co.	45.21
World Book	11.41
A. Flanagan Co.	11.68
J. L. Hammett	14.91
Houghton Mifflin Co.	68.50
Richo Products	12.00
Tri-State Office Equip.	38.40
Milton Bradley Co.	650.34
California Test Bureau	54.75
Baker Science Packet	3.50
Arthur Croft Co.	10.25
American Publishing Co.	81.50
School Crafters Inc.	6.38
Philip Morris Co.	1.50
Henry S. Wolkins	5.90

\$1,473.30

Supplies and Other Expenses:

Keystone Press	\$15.00
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N. E. Tel. & Tel.	412.65	
Arthur C. Croft Pub. Inc.	30.75	
Beckley Cardy Co.	22.91	
Cal. Test	29.43	
Maxfield Press	5.60	
Philip Morris Co.	18.23	
Lynch Company	12.73	
Martin & Murray	40.75	
Baker Science Pub. Co.	3.50	
Law & Ingham Transportation	12.00	
Tri State Office Equip.	40.80	
H. P. Welch Co.	2.10	
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		\$646.00
Janitors' Salaries:		
Walter Brunner	505.80	
Earl Isham, Jr.	590.00	
Mrs. Philip Rines	500.00	
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		\$1,595.80
Fuel or Heat:		
Ernie's Oil Service		\$1,455.59
Water, Light, Supplies & Expenses:		
Stan's Masury Paint Store	1.67	
Public Service	886.01	
Emery Waterhouse	.92	
Reynolds W. Smith	25.89	
Whalin Products	26.79	
J. J. Holcomb Co.	610.30	
Manchester Water Works	17.39	
Central Paper	162.12	
J. J. Moreau Company	4.09	
Community Gas	38.40	
West Disinfecting Company	22.00	
Ashburner's Service	.76	
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		\$1,796.34

Repairs and Replacements:

Roland Todt	14.80
A. H. Rice Co.	121.30
A. J. Leblanc Heating Co.	71.30
J. J. Moreau & Sons	59.42
Granite State Industries	19.50
Philip Rines	58.00
Earl Isham	92.63
Meadow Brook Farm	20.00
Clarks Hdwe	8.08
Walter Brunner	76.73
West Side Lumber Co.	1.77
Montrose Blood	61.85
Acme Window Shade	5.30
Staple Sewer Serv.	35.00
W. A. Paul	149.75
Reynolds W. Smith	94.06
Stan's Masury Paint Store	7.27
Frank Barnard	20.00
Quincy Adams Col, Doors	20.95
Hale Home Builders	22.50
Blanchard Stebbins	960.00
Joseph G. LaBonte	92.26

\$2,137.47

Health:

Gladys Smend	\$1,123.32
Gardner Manning, M.D.	100.00
R. S. Sawyer Co.	4.70

\$1,228.02

Transportation:

Russell Keeler	\$10,181.56
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Tuition:

City of Manchester	\$26,624.80
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City of Nashua	55.30	
	<hr/>	\$26,680.10
Special Activities		
School Lunch	<hr/>	\$2,630.38
Retirement:		
	<hr/>	\$2,262.53
Insurance:		
Wm. Melendy	\$ 20.00	
Lockwood-Bodwell	873.33	
Ralph Wiggin	873.33	
Kent Covill	95.90	
	<hr/>	\$1,862.56
Lands & New Buildings:		
Frank Clancy	\$ 135.00	
Hillsborough Court	3.50	
Albert & Ralph Hodgman	2,300.00	
Josephine Fearon—typing	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,446.50
Additions & Improvements:		
Paris Mfg. Co.	\$541.15	
Reynolds W. Smith	920.00	
Manchester Union Leader	19.69	
Hillsboro County Court	3.50	
Merrimack School District	548.80	
Bruno Pichette Co.	449.95	
Hale Home Bldrs.	647.78	
J. J. Moreau	54.11	
J. L. Hammett Supplies	120.40	
Emery Waterhouse Co	9.96	
	<hr/>	\$3,315.34

New Equipment:

Twombly Associates	\$202.20	
Roderick MacDonald	65.00	
Philip Morris Co.	79.80	
Gledhill Bros.	207.00	
Philip Morris Co.	63.00	
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		\$ 617.00

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS ON BONDS

\$159,000.00

Bedford, New Hampshire School District

2.15%

Amount Outstanding	Date	Principal Due	Interest Due	Total
\$159,000.	Apr. 1, 1955	None	\$1,709.25	\$1,709.25
	Oct. 1, 1955	\$11,000.	1,709.25	12,709.25
\$148,000.	Apr. 1, 1956	None	1,591.00	1,591.00
	Oct. 1, 1956	\$11,000.	1,591.00	12,591.00
\$137,000.	Apr. 1, 1957	None	1,472.75	1,472.75
	Oct. 1, 1957	\$11,000.	1,472.75	12,472.75
\$126,000.	Apr. 1, 1958	None	1,354.50	1,354.50
	Oct. 1, 1958	\$11,000.	1,354.50	12,354.50
\$115,000.	Apr. 1, 1959	None	1,236.25	1,236.25
	Oct. 1, 1959	\$11,000.	1,236.25	12,236.25
\$104,000.	Apr. 1, 1960	None	1,118.00	1,118.00
	Oct. 1, 1960	\$11,000.	1,118.00	12,118.00
\$ 93,000.	Apr. 1, 1961	None	999.75	999.75
	Oct. 1, 1961	\$11,000.	999.75	11,999.75
\$ 82,000	Apr. 1, 1962	None	881.50	881.50
	Oct. 1, 1962	\$11,000.	881.50	11,881.50
\$ 71,000.	Apr. 1, 1963	None	763.25	763.25
	Oct. 1, 1963	\$11,000.	763.25	11,763.25
\$ 60,000.	Apr. 1, 1964	None	645.00	645.00
	Oct. 1, 1964	\$11,000.	645.00	11,645.00
\$ 49,000.	Apr. 1, 1965	None	526.75	526.75
	Oct. 1, 1965	\$11,000.	526.75	11,526.75
\$ 38,000.	Apr. 1, 1966	None	408.50	408.50
	Oct. 1, 1966	\$11,000.	408.50	11,408.50
\$ 27,000.	Apr. 1, 1967	None	290.25	290.25
	Oct. 1, 1967	\$11,000.	290.25	11,290.25
\$ 16,000.	Apr. 1 1968	None	172.00	172.00
	Oct. 1, 1968	\$11,000.	172.00	11,172.00
\$ 5,000.	Apr. 1, 1969	None	53.75	53.75
	Oct. 1, 1969	\$ 5,000.	53.75	5,053.75

REPORT ON BUILDING FUND

RECEIPTS

Feb. 8, 1955	Principle & Premium	\$159,500.00	
Feb. 8, 1955	Interest	1,205.97	
Dec. 20, 1955	Received from Bedford School District—Reimbursement for Legal Fees, Interest deducted by Bank, and Interest on Bonds		
	Legal Fees —	\$150.00	
	Interest Ded.	1709.25	
	Interest on Bonds	636.23	2,495.48
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The above bills were paid from the Building Fund and should have been paid from regular School District Funds

Total Receipts	\$163,201.45
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EXPENDITURES

Feb. 16, 1955	E. S. Dudley Company, Inc. Accrued interest on Bonds from December 1, 1954 to Feb. 8, 1955	\$636.23
Feb. 16, 1955	Alexander J. Majeski, Architect for Professional Services	8,231.00
Mar. 9, 1955	Sheehan, Phinney & Bass Legal Services	150.00
Mar. 23, 1955	Manchester Artesian Well	

	Co. Payment on Well	1,540.50
June 3, 1955	Manchester Artesian Well	
	Co. For 1000 Gallon Tank	444.00
Aug. 31, 1955	Manchester Artesian Well	
	Co. Final Payment on Well	1,160.64
Apr. 1, 1955	Manchester National Bank— Deduction from account for Interest	1,709.25
Apr. 5, 1955 through Dec. 20, 1955	David W. Davidson, Con- tractor— Requisitions 1 through 7 — \$133,690.00 Change Order #1 2,676.00 Change Order #2 548.54	
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		136,914.54
May 2, 1955	Ralph M. Wiggin — Insur- ance Premium	315.00
June 7, 1955	Lyons Iron Works — Flag Pole	225.00
Sept. 13, 1955	J. Hodge Company — Ward- robe Units	1,600.00
Sept. 13, 1955	A. P. Horne Company, Inc. Grading, etc.	556.00
Nov. 4, 1955	A. P. Horne Company, Inc. —Shrubbery	175.00
Sept. 13, 1955	Eric H. Anderson, Painter Painting Wardrobes & Teacher's Storage Cabinets	176.00
Sept. 20, 1955	H. Roy Construction—Sub Grade & Spreading Loam	850.00
Sept. 26, 1955	Capitol Curtains — Window Shades — Furnished and in- stalled	450.00
Sept. 26, 1955	Interstate Restaurant Equip- ment Co. Gas Range, Dish- washer, etc.	2,402.50

Sept. 26, 1955	A. A. Mooney Furniture Company — Furniture for Teacher's Room	83.95
Oct. 14, 1955	L. H. Pillsbury & Son — Lamp	16.50
Nov. 4, 1955	L. H. Pillsbury & Son — Dripolator for Teacher's Room	24.45
Oct. 14, 1955	Eckhardt & Johnson, Inc. Extra Labor & Materials for extending oil fill pipe	66.25
Oct. 14, 1955	Robie Construction Company, Inc. 10.1 ton 1/2" P. Stone	25.25
Oct. 14, 1955	Twombly Associates, Inc. Desks & Chairs for Classrooms	\$2,325.20
Nov. 4, 1955	Manchester Coal & Ice Company Hollinator Incinerator	149.50
Nov. 4, 1955	Milton Bradley Company Teacher's Desks, All Purpose Tables & Chairs	325.02
Nov. 4, 1955	A. G. Gosselin Company, Inc. Dishes for Cafeteria	237.14
Dec. 20, 1955	J. J. Moreau & Sons Athletic Equipment	103.67
Dec. 20, 1955	Hillyard Sales Company Floor Polisher, Scrubber & Waxer	484.75
Dec. 20, 1955	Phillip Morris & Company Two files for Office	88.90
Dec. 20, 1955	Robert's Express Express charge on furniture	10.01
Jan. 24, 1956	Pauling Rubber Corporation Rubber Mats for School	218.20
Total Expenditures		<hr/> \$161,694.45

SUMMARY

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$163,201.45
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$161,694.45
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Bank Balance as of January 31, 1956	\$1,507.00

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BEDFORD SCHOOL BOARD

1955 - 1956

This year has brought the completion of the Bedford Memorial School. Construction was started in the early Spring and the building was completed and equipped ready for occupation by the beginning of the school year. Improvements and repairs were made in the Stevens-Buswell and Peter Woodbury Schools to make them more pleasant and safer for our school children.

The new school made it necessary to reorganize the classrooms. The School Board and Supt. Ramsey believed that the upper grades could best utilize the facilities of the Bedford Memorial School. The lower grades were assigned to the Stevens-Buswell and Peter Woodbury Schools.

During the summer it was necessary to employ five new teachers. We were very fortunate in that the candidates nominated by Supt. Ramsey were so well qualified. The teachers secured for these positions have made a fine addition to our already capable teaching staff.

Under the direction of Supt. Ramsey, Mr. McGrath, our helping teacher, and Mr. Fournier, Principal of the Bedford Memorial School, the instruction in the 7th and 8th Grades was intergraded, thus giving the students more adequate preparation for entrance into High School. Physical training has been introduced. The boys and girls basketball teams have already played several games and show great promise.

I wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks to all the members of our school staff for their valuable work during the year. Our special thanks to Supt. Ramsey and Mr. McGrath for under their supervision and guidance the program of instruction is showing steady improvement. They have definite plans to further reorganize instruction, particularly in the fields of science and mathematics.

The School Board acknowledges the tremendous addition to the schools physical facilities, and all the advancements made to give our children the best possible education.

MAX GOWEN
Chairman of the School Board

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Bedford:

It gives me great pleasure to submit my first annual report as your Superintendent of Schools.

The School Board and citizens of Bedford can well be proud of the manner in which they have met the challenge of increased pupil enrollment. The new Bedford Memorial school is fulfilling Bedford's housing needs for the present but a careful look at the census table included in this report will indicate that Bedford cannot sit back with a sigh and say, "That is that for another generation."

It has been a distinct pleasure to come to Bedford as your Superintendent and work with the teachers of your school district. I have found the quality of instruction to be very good and the cooperation of the teachers and other school personnel has been of the highest order. A pleasant teaching situation promotes good teaching and encourages good teachers to stay in your system. Your school board's willingness to recognize this factor is being reflected in salaries and facilities, which speaks well for Bedford's future.

New Teachers:

Mrs. Frances Evans Chick, B.Ed., as additional teacher for Grade 8. Mrs. Chick is a graduate of Plymouth Teachers College 1938, with teaching experience at Madison High School, Madison, N. H. Mrs. Chick is teaching Arithmetic and Science to Grades 7 and 8 under the new departmentalized program and is doing excellent work.

Miss Nancy County, B.S.Ed., Lesley College 1954, Grade 3. Miss County comes to Bedford after a year's experience at the Morley School, West Hartford, Connecticut. She has been carrying on a fine type of instruction and has become an integral part in Bedford's educational program.

Mrs. Bertha O. Dorval, B.Ed., Keene Teachers College, 1940, Grade 4, Bedford Memorial School. Mrs. Dorval has had previous experience in New Hampshire and Rhode Is-

land school systems. Not only has Mrs. Dorval's classroom work been of high quality, she has been doing excellent work in developing a physical fitness program for the girls of the Bedford Memorial School.

Donald Fournier, Principal of Bedford Memorial School, B.A., St. Anselms College 1953. Mr. Fournier comes to Bedford with one year's experience as Principal of the Union Elementary School, Union, N. H. He has done a very commendable job in organizing the new school into a cohesive well adjusted unit. Mr. Fournier is also doing fine work with the boys in developing a physical fitness program for them.

Miss Brenda Shortell, B.A., College of New Rochelle, N.Y. 1955. Miss Shortell teaches Grade 6 at Bedford Memorial and although has had no previous experience in teaching she has shown all the aptitudes of a natural teacher. She is carrying out a very good sixth grade program.

Helping Teacher:

The election of Mr. John W. McGrath as Helping Teacher in Supervisory Union No. 27 has been a definite step in the right direction. In order to make Mr. McGrath's work definite, he has been put in charge of instruction in the various school districts. It is his job to work with and help the individual teachers, to survey instructional facilities and work with your Superintendent in building a better overall educational program. As his report follows, I shall only say that he has done his work exceedingly well and that the instructional level of our schools has improved through his conscientious efforts.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of the School Board, citizens, and children of Bedford for their spirit of friendly cooperation. It has made my work pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS L. RAMSAY,

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF HELPING TEACHER

February 1, 1956
Hudson, N. H.

Mr. Louis L. Ramsay
Superintendent of Schools
Bedford School District
Bedford, New Hampshire
Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my annual report as Helping Teacher for the Bedford School District. I have divided my report into two major categories: (1) Present Status of The Curriculum and (2) Future Planning for The Curriculum. Further subdivisions have been incorporated for clarity.

The work of the Helping Teacher has proved to be most interesting. Many people have not been able as yet, to clarify the position in their minds. Shall it suffice at this time to say I feel that at all times my major intent has been the further improvement of the instruction within the schools of the District? By "helping"—teachers—administrators—parents—and last, but hardly least—students—I have attempted to do my best to improve the instructional level of the schools. We like to feel that we have "helped" in some small way.

Much credit for hard—diligent and conscientious work must be awarded to the teachers who formulate and carry out the curriculum that at present is instituted in the schools. They are always cooperatively aware that in working with pupils—however—they must be ever diligent about improvement in all the aspects of their work.

I shall analyze our present situation in the schools of the District. An attempt will be made, also, to direct your attention to the future plans that are now, in many instances, in the embryonic "thinking" stages. With much work on the part of the interested faculty members we hope all our plans will crystallize and, thus, perhaps improve the total program.

(1) Present Status Of The Curriculum:

(a) READING:

The Scott-Foresman system of basal readers is proving its worth. This is an extensive and expensive cumulative reading program which seems to produce readers who can, in most cases, read to capacity. Those children who can't read to capacity after being skillfully guided through this program are really out of the realm of solution of the ordinary classroom teachers. These are our unfortunate remedial cases. There is much strength in our reading program in Bedford thanks to the publishers of the program and the work of the teachers. Bedford parents should be satisfied with the results of reading instruction in their schools.

(b) LANGUAGE:

Progress in this area has been satisfactory. The McKee Language Series which we use in this area, however, has served its purpose. Teachers and students are more handicapped than helped with this program. Either a new system needs to be adopted or more vital "life" be injected into the present program!

(c) SPELLING:

This is rapidly becoming as controversial an area in education as reading. We are fortunate! The teachers have done a more than acceptable job with our spelling program. The **Pupil's Own Vocabulary Spellers** which we use in grades two through eight have proved to be a wise accession. We have little about which to worry in this area. We ARE teaching spelling effectively!

(d) HANDWRITING:

The Bedford District employs the services of the

best hand-writing systems in use today! The Rinehart Handwriting System is its own best advertisement. A glance at any of the students' hand-writing in the Bedford Schools will attest to the effectiveness of the program.

Manuscript (slant lettering or printing) writing is taught in grades one, two, and halfway through grade three because it has a high correlation with the printed symbol the child is attempting to master at these grade levels. The transition from manuscript to cursive is made, most of the time, in grade three at the half-year mark. The child is ready for a moral acceptance of this at this time. It is a good practice. The program is in fine "shape".

(e) GUIDANCE:

A testing program has been instituted. In grades 1, 4, 8, and 10 intelligence tests will be administered each year during the month of September. In grade 1 the Pintner Cunningham test of mental abilities is used; in grades 4, 8, and 10 the California Short Form Tests of Mental Maturity are used—elementary advanced, and adult forms respectively. This is to become an annual affair.

Achievement testing in the Spring has been instituted and if this year's success is a measure of the usefulness of the program I am positive that no one will be able to refute its necessity. In grades 1 and 2 the California Reading Test is administered; in grade 3 the California Achievement Battery, Primary Form (reading, arithmetic, and language) is administered. In grades 4, 5, and 6 the California Achievement Battery, Intermediate Form (reading, arithmetic, and language) is administered.

Cumulative records and the wealth of information

that goes with each one have been instituted for all children. I am sure their usefulness will be felt in the future by our own schools and faculties and assuredly by the high schools to which our students are eventually graduated.

(f) ARITHMETIC:

Again we employ a good basal program—The Silver Burdett Company's **Making Sure of Arithmetic** series. Surprising as it may sound, at many grade levels we are ahead of where we should be in this area. However, overall sound concepts and understandings are being made to provide a solid arithmetical basis for future life for future mathematical endeavors. Either teachers extremely like or dislike this area. We, on the whole, are fortunate in that the Bedford Teachers seem to give this area its just accent in the total program.

(g) SCIENCE:

We are in poor condition. Future plans are mentioned later! However, we have an exceedingly strong program in grades seven and eight!

(h) SOCIAL STUDIES:

Here again we use the Follett basal social studies programs in grades four through seven. This program is on a sound and thorough basis and provides a cumulative knowledge and good grounding for future undertakings.

In the first three grades the social studies are an incidental learning area integrated with all the other areas. Much thought should be given to this level.

In grade eight a good junior high history program has been instituted.

(i) MUSIC and ART:

A functional Music and Art program is being con-

ducted cooperatively by the teachers and Miss Teresa Grace, Music, and Mrs. Norma Osgood, Art.

(2) FUTURE PLANNING for the CURRICULUM:

(a) SCIENCE:

Naturally this is a deplorably ignored area. We are normal! Next year we hope to adopt a strong cumulative program. The teachers now are examining science programs for grades one through six. A strengthening of this area is demanding and necessary for the next school year!

(b) MUSIC and ART:

A comprehensive grade level developmental program would be worthy of consideration by both teachers and the supervisors.

(c) LANGUAGE:

Much discussion is needed concerning a program in the Language area which stresses the skills on an equal basis with the social competencies to be gained. This area deserves more attention!

(d) OVERALL:

Much planning and thinking about the curriculum is evidenced by what our teachers are producing. I am sure this constant and productive planning and thinking about all areas of the curriculum will continue as it has in the past.

All the teachers within the District have been more than cooperative; I believe that they have accepted my position without too much opposition and hesitancy. I am very pleased in this respect, as I am sure that the difficulties that could have arisen with the advent of an extra supervisory "watchdog" would have been exceedingly damaging for this cooperation.

I thank them deeply.

To you, sir, my thanks—and from me individually from the teachers—many thanks for your guidance, support and cooperation. Without your understanding and approval all work would be futile. It has been a privilege to serve as your assistant for instructional services.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. McGrath,
Helping Teacher

ENROLLMENT

February 1

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1955	55	48	48	36	32	35	38	34	326
1956	39	56	62	46	33	32	36	38	342

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

for

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BEDFORD

James Barnard	Sandra Jones
Eleanor Cushing	Judith Locke
Linda Ellison	Richard Melendy
James Flynn	Marilyn Pirozzi
George Fox	Raymond Piekos
Tara Healey	Maurice Roy
	Barbara Tuttle

SCHOOL CENSUS REPORT 1955-56

Ages, as of Sept. 1, 1955	Number of Children			No. of Children Attending			Other Private Schools		Number of Children Not Attending Any School Because		
	Total	Boys	Girls	Public Schools	Outside District	Parochial Schools	Within District	Outside District	Excused by Sch. Bd., St. Bd. of Ed., or Com. of Ed.	Reached 14 or 16, Completed Elem. but not High School	Completed High School
Less than 1 year	51	29	22								
1	47	21	26								
2	62	30	32								
3	47	24	23								
4	69	37	32								
5	54	36	18	4		5	5	13			
Total Birth-5	330	177	153	4		5	18				
6	68	38	30	48		20					
7	72	36	36	52		20					
8	67	36	31	47		19	1				
9	51	29	22	40		11					
10	48	26	22	35		12	1				
11	43	18	25	35		8					
12	54	29	25	37	1	14	1	1			
13	52	30	22	26	13	12	1				
14	42	26	16	2	22	14	3	1			
15	42	25	17	1	30	9			2		
16	32	20	12		23	5	1		3		
17	24	11	13		10	4	1		1	8	
18	27	20	7		1				11	15	
Total 6-18	622	344	270	323	100	148	18	9	2	17	23
Totals	952	521	431	327	100	153	18	9	2	17	23

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Bedford, N. H., February 1, 1956

To the Superintendent of Schools, the School Board and
the citizens of Bedford, N. H.

The following is my report as School Nurse from Feb-
ruary 1, 1955 to February 1, 1956

Number of children examined by Dr. Manning	355
Number of children with operative tonsils 11, enlarged	23
Number of children with defective teeth	79
Number of children with heart murmur	2
Number of children with wax in their ears	6
Number of children examined by school nurse	358
Number of children weighed and measured	355
Number of children given audiometer test	350
Number of children with defective hearing	5
lip reading 4 seen by doctor 3	
Number of children with speech defects	10
corrective speech instruction	10
Number of children given eye tests	354
Number of children with defective eyes	67
corrected 40	
Number of children whose eyes were checked by doctor	43
children fitted with glasses for first time	13
children had lenses in glasses changed	13
1 child had operation on eyes	
Number of visits to dentist by school children	401
Number of children who had chickenpox	3
Number of children who had mumps	3
Number of children who had measles	64
Number of children who had german measles	1
Number of children who had impetigo	1
Number of children who had ringworm	1
Number of children who had pneumonia	3

Number of children who had rheumatic fever	1
Number of children who had appendectomy	1
Number of children who had tonsil operation	10
Number of children who had first injection of Salk Vaccine	73
Number of children who had second injection of Salk Vaccine	71
Number of children who had broken arms	2
Number of children checked at preschool clinic	25
Number of home calls made	350

For the past two years the Hot Lunch Program has been self supporting without any help from the Town or different organizations.

From September 13, 1954 to June 15, 1955 the following amount of lunches were served to children:

At the Donald Street School 8,373 hot lunches were served to children, out of which 591 lunches were free or reduced.

At the Peter Woodbury School 15,020 hot lunches were served to children, out of which 978 were free or reduced.

At the Stevens Buswell School 16,673 hot lunches were served to children, out of which 2,346 were free or reduced.

In all three schools together there were 40,066 hot lunches served to children, out of which 3,915 were free or reduced.

Respectfully submitted,

GLADYS W. SMEND R. N.

School Nurse

NOTIFICATION OF SCHOOL ASSESSMENT, 1955

School District of Bedford, N. H.

Expenditures (1955-56)

Current Expenditures	\$107,895.61
Debt and Interest	14,300.25
Deficiency Appropriation	3,500.00
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Total Appropriation	\$125,695.86
Receipts (1955-56)	\$125,695.86

CERTIFICATES

To The Board of Selectmen :

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the Bedford school district held March 15, 1955.

June 27, 1955

ELIZABETH M. FOSHER,

Clerk of the School District

To The State Department of Education :

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for the school year 1955-56, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board in accordance with N. H. Laws of 1951, Chapter 37, Section 2.

June 27, 1955

MAX F. GOWEN,

Chairman of the School Board

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Bedford for the year ending
December 31, 1955

Date, Where Born, Name of Child, Name of Father and
Maiden Name of Mother

1955

- Jan. 5 Manchester, Donna Lee Rice, Leon H. Rice and
Margery Ann Miller
- Jan. 11 Manchester, Roger Paul Duval, Rene Duval and
Georgette R. Beauchemin
- Jan. 12 Manchester, Wayne Pollock, John R. Pollock and
Freida L. Fisher
- Jan. 13 Manchester, Gary William Rand, Thomas W.
Rand and Marilyn J. Foote
- Jan. 14 Manchester, Jonathan Paul Heinonen, Eero J.
Heinonen and Pauline E. Koch
- Jan. 14 Manchester, Michael Joseph Raymond Hamel,
Raymond W. Hamel and Mildred Rose Brou-
illet
- Feb. 2 Manchester, Susan Jane Therrien, Andrew M.
Therrien and Anna M. Makowski
- Feb. 4 Manchester, John Henry Allen, Henry F. Allen
and Catherine J. Wyskeil
- Feb. 24 Manchester, Diane Helen Heroux, Edward E.
Heroux and Bridget Cashman
- Mar. 9 Manchester, Amy Sue Marston, Edward D.
Marston and Sara Jean Griffin
- Mar. 19 Manchester, Jeffrey John Malone, John Robert
Malone and Patricia Nelson
- Mar. 23 Manchester, David Bureau, Ernest R. Bureau
and Mary Roux
- Apr. 1 Manchester, Doris Cecile Marcoux, Jean Ed-
ward Marcoux and Lena M. Shank
- Apr. 4 Manchester, Janice Blanche Swanson, William
A. Swanson and Helen V. Orzschowski

- Apr. 4 Manchester, Ralph Russell Johnson, David R. Johnson and Lena Roustas
- Apr. 10 Manchester, Edward Arthur Bellemore, Roger E. Bellemore and Lorraine Y. Tanquay
- Apr. 16 Manchester, Raymond Donald Bouvier, Marcel R. Bouvier and Stella B. Therriault
- Apr. 24 Manchester, Janet Jane Carter, Alvin C. Carter and Cecile T. Villeneuve
- May 7 Manchester, Diane Marie Dexter, Harvey A. Dexter and Marie M. Cassidy
- May 8 Manchester, Denise Louise Doyen, Gerard M. Doyen and Therese F. Favreau
- May 19 Manchester, William Carl Davison, William Carl Davison and Norma Vachon
- May 24 Manchester, Gary Albert Merrill, Albert H. Merrill and Anna L. Holland
- June 2 Manchester, Cheryl Lynn Deshais, Felix J. Deshais and Eileen L. Martin
- June 4 Manchester, Ronald Edward Marcoux, Jean E. Marcoux and Pauline L. Villiard
- June 4 Manchester, Michelle M. Lancot, Joseph A. Lancot and Doris L. Lavasseur
- June 14 Manchester, Debra Ann Mandeville, Roger J. Mandeville and Gloria L. Solomon
- June 17 Manchester, Richard Armand Beaudin, Armand J. Beaudin and Theresa K. Bodner
- June 21 Manchester, Arnold Kent Douville, William J. Douville and Yvette A. Charest
- June 26 Manchester, Denis Robert Sauvageau, Robert L. Sauvageau and Pauline I. Berthiaume
- July 2 Manchester, Martha Gail Fernald, Alfred E. Fernald and Phyllis J. Howe
- July 5 Manchester, Noreen Mary Warner, Walter J. Warner and Irene M. Terrill
- July 29 Manchester, Adele Paulette Cote, Robert R. Cote and Gloria F. Cote

- Aug. 10 Manchester, Betty Jean Vincent, Alfred J. Vincent and Maude P. Sullivan
- Aug. 20 Manchester, Arthur Roger Landry, Maurice A. Landry and Irene L. Panneton
- Aug. 26 Manchester, Michael Robert Chalmers, Robert A. Chalmers and Cecile P. Ackley
- Aug. 27 Manchester, Sharon Elizabeth Trahan, Roland D. Trahan and Gloria J. Deshais
- Sept. 3 Manchester, David Neill Bunker, Malcolm L. Bunker and Flora J. Niell
- Oct. 8 Manchester, Denise F. Bertrand, Joseph D. Bertrand and Florence H. Bouchard
- Oct. 8 Manchester, Patricia Louise Vose, Frank R. Vose and Beatrice E. Loxton
- Oct. 11 Manchester, Deborah Jean Poehlman, Robert E. Poehlman and Maureen V. Gallagher
- Oct. 15 Manchester, Robin Elaine Lang, Robert H. Lang and Beryl E. Woods
- Oct. 15 Manchester, Jonathan Snow Lewis, Jr., Jonathan S. Lewis and Janet Porter Carleton
- Oct. 17 Manchester, Peter Stephen Winn, Charles S. Winn and Winnifred Stecher
- Oct. 17 Manchester, Michele Jean Gregoire, Raymond A. Gregoire and Shirley E. Hazen
- Oct. 19 Manchester, Brenda Lou White, Roland E. White and Beverly J. Blevins
- Oct. 30 Manchester, Marilyn Carla Hubley, Stanley B. Hubley and Barbara J. Stone (twin)
- Oct. 30 Manchester, Carolyn Marsha Hubley, Stanley B. Hubley and Barbara J. Stone (twin)
- Oct. 30 Manchester, Irene Antoinette Philibert, Ernest R. Philibert and Florence M. Dionne
- Nov. 6 Manchester, Robert Lewis Merrow, Jr., Robert L. Merrow and Margaret E. Hurd
- Nov. 14 Manchester, Baby Rahmanop (twin), Walter B. Rahmanop and Martha Hayman Haynes

- Nov. 14 Manchester, Wallis Garnet Rahmanop (twin),
Walter B. Rahmanop and Martha Hayman
Haynes
- Nov. 17 Manchester, Richard Harold Woodbury, Ever-
ett S. Woodbury and Marlene E. DeVarney
- Nov. 29 Manchester, Roger Florian Forand, Bernard O.
Forand and Solange B. Boisvert
- Dec. 3 Manchester, Priscilla Patricia Vachon, Patrick
J. Vachon and Leontine G. Pouliot
- Dec. 20 Manchester, Darlene Rose Caron, Edmond J.
Caron and Irene Rena Fournier
- Dec. 21 Manchester, Steven French Wiggan, Fred A.
Wiggan and Jennie Fafara
- Dec. 25 Goffstown, Sheryl Lynn Roy, George E. Roy
and Jane J. Kos
- Dec. 28 Manchester, John Lawrence Caswell, Richard
G. Caswell and Barbara A. Wheeler

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Bedford for the Year Ending
December 31, 1955

Date, Where Married, Names of Parties, Name of Person
performing the Ceremony

1955

- Jan. 8 Manchester, Paul Adelard Fortin and Charlotte Irene Fiske; Rev. John F. Horgan, Roman Catholic Priest
- Jan. 16 Bedford, Myron R. Lawson and Meredith Littlefield; Rev. Walter A. Morgan, Presbyterian Clergyman
- Jan. 20 Manchester, Armand J. C. Beaudin and Theresa K. Bodner; Charles H. Barnard, Justice of the Peace
- Feb. 5 Manchester, Arthur J. Riley and Cecile D. Herbert; B. E. Piper, Justice of the Peace
- Feb. 12 Manchester, Edward R. Riley and Carol A. McLaughlin; B. E. Piper, Justice of the Peace
- Apr. 23 Manchester, Robert John Donahue, Jr., and Marcella Ann Messner; Rev. Colin A. MacDonald, Catholic Priest
- Apr. 25 Manchester, Joseph Oscar Tremblay and Rose Edith Cote; Rev. Gregory R. Dumont, Roman Catholic Priest
- May 14 Manchester, Henri Beaudoin and Rachel Beaudoin; Rev. Gregory Dumont, Roman Catholic Priest
- May 16 Manchester, Paul St. Louis and Odellie Mercier; Rev. Gregory R. Dumont, Roman Catholic Priest
- May 28 Manchester, Walter John Picuch and Phyllis Lama Dudka; Rev. Joseph Soltysiak, Rector of Holy Trinity Church

- June 11 Manchester, Karol Frynk Karzyniowski and Frances Saj; Rev. Joseph Soltysiak, Rector of Holy Trinity Church
- June 18 Manchester, Norman Raymond Lettre and Carol Sue Johnson; Rev. Gregory R. Dumont, Roman Catholic Priest
- June 25 Manchester, Oscar Louis Donati and Lillian Yvonne Dewyngaert; Father Paul McHugh, Roman Catholic Priest
- July 1 Manchester, Theodore Sahl and Grace K. Buckles; Charles B. McLaughlin, Justice of the Peace
- July 2 Manchester, Joseph Gerard Taschereau and Marguerite Cecile Gagnon; Rev. Roland R. Belanger, Roman Catholic Priest
- July 2 Manchester, Fernand Joseph Cote and Rita Mary Villeneuve; Rev. Gregory R. Dumont, Roman Catholic Priest
- Aug. 20 Manchester, Rene Eugene Beauchemin and Shirley J. L'Heureaux; Rt. Rev. Edouard Lessard, Roman Catholic Priest
- Sept. 2 Bedford, William Joseph Rivet and Violet Helen Scheavone; Harry G. Merrill, Justice of the Peace
- Sept. 7 Bedford, Robert Martin and Vivian Cardoza; Irene M. Parkhurst, Justice of the Peace
- Sept. 10 Manchester, Robert Stanley Szarek and Alice Johnson Noyes; Rev. Arthur Sullivan, Catholic Priest
- Sept. 17 Manchester, Lucien Bertrand Caza and Lillian Claire Demers; Rev. George Chicoine, Roman Catholic Priest
- Sept. 24 Manchester, Michael Joseph O'Connor and Suzanne Malvina Fournier; Ben Piper, Justice of the Peace
- Sept. 24 Manchester, Paul Maxime Philibert and Beverly June Duston; Rev. Fr. Raymond Burns,

O.S.B. Roman Catholic Priest

- Oct. 15 Bedford, Martin Alan Sidman and Ruth Marjorie Myers; Samuel Umen, Rabbi
- Nov. 11 Manchester, Richard Albert Jolicoeur and Alice Beatrice Cote; Rev. Gregory R. Dumont, Roman Catholic Priest
- Nov. 19 Manchester, Norman Alfred Jean and Marie Annette Provencher; Rev. Fr. Raymond Burns, O.S.B., Roman Catholic Priest
- Nov. 26 Manchester, Richard Scott Hazelton and Marie Adelaide Clayton; Clifton D. Gray, Jr., Minister of the Gospel

DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Bedford for the Year Ending
December 31, 1955

Date, Place of Death, Name, Age and Place of Burial
1955

- Jan. 2 Concord, Emma Blichmann, 84, Manchester.
Jan. 10 Goffstown, George Howe, 19 days, Bedford.
Jan. 30 Bedford, Delina Marie Brunelle, 75 years, Manchester.
Feb. 6 Goffstown, Clarence Jones, 74 years, Bedford.
Feb. 10 Bedford, Edith Pearl Hansen, 72 years, Watertown, Mass.
Feb. 14 Manchester, Harriett Flora Manning, 88 years, Bedford.
Feb. 27 Bedford, Aglaie T. Charron, 73 years, Manchester.
Mar. 9 Concord, Charles B. Lodge, 72 years, Bedford.
Mar. 13 Bedford, Jacob L. Klardie, Jr., 76 years, Manchester.
Mar. 24 Bedford, Forrest C. Blood, 46 years, Bedford.
Apr. 1 Goffstown, Jennie Eaton, 78 years, Bedford.
Apr. 18 Manchester, Frederick E. Driggs, 85 years, New York, N. Y.
Apr. 26 Peterborough, Sara J. Sargent, 79 years, Bedford.
May 6 Manchester, Rose Anna Tremblay, 78 years, Bedford.
May 14 Manchester, Virginia McLain Stewart, 25 years, Bedford.
May 16 Concord, Abbie Gault, 76 years, Bedford.
May 20 Bedford, Archibald Muir, 72 years, Manchester.
June 18 Manchester, Laura Etta Buxton, 75 years, Bedford.
June 18 Bedford, Joseph A. Fournier, 50 years, Manchester.

July 28 Bedford, Louis Groulx, 78 years, Manchester.
 Aug. 28 Manchester, Charles Herbert Fulton, 82 years,
 Bedford.
 Nov. 3 Manchester, Frank Payson French, 75 years,
 Bedford.
 Nov. 6 Goffstown, Perley H. Lang, 74 years, Bedford.
 Nov. 8 Bedford, Ray Eugene Follansbee, 59 years,
 Nashua.
 Nov. 14 Manchester, Baby Rahmanop, stillborn, Salem,
 Mass.
 Dec. 2 Bedford, Michael Glenn Cole, 2 years, Manches-
 ter.
 Dec. 2 Bedford, Olive Harriet Cole, 62 years, Manches-
 ter.
 Dec. 10 Bedford, Maria Vallieres, 54 years, Manchester.
 Dec. 18 Manchester, Myrtie W. Sargent, 58 years, Bed-
 ford.
 Dec. 30 Goffstown, Florence Chaput, 74 years, Manches-
 ter.

Brought here for burial from out of state:

Ada J. Adams
 Lizzie H. Lewis
 Herman Foster
 Nellie Campbell Smith

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns of Births, Marriages and Deaths are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MARTHA F. WIGGIN,
Town Clerk

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2. Give Name & Address Clearly
3. State Kind of Emergency

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or call operator and ask for
Bedford Fire Department

To call

POLICE

Call

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Manchester **5-8269**

Arthur F. Bostwick

Bedford **2-4571**

Edward Brewer

Manchester **3-2117**

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Call

Ernest Jenkins, Warden

Bedford **2-5531**

if no answer call

Russell C. Keeler, Deputy

Bedford **2-5301**